

Prepared by Anne Dierga Kirk — ca. 1938



Looking toward market
men's house gone



Pier



Pier



Uncle Harry's
Ice house

RIDES OUT STORM

Captain Richard Edwards, on the bunker fishing steamer Elizabeth Edwards, rode out the storm on the west side of Eaton's Neck, near Huntington, L. I. He rode before the storm, but had a hard job keeping in control even going to leeward and fortunately was able to tie up to a barge in a sand and gravel pit harbor. On the following day he crossed the Sound to Bridgeport, Conn., to have repairs made in a machine shop there.

Artist is Victim of Gale While Sailing Off Montauk

William Langson Lathrop of New Hope, Pa., a National Academy member, was given up for lost early this week when no trace had been found of him since last Wednesday's hurricane, in which he is believed to have been sailing off Montauk Point. Although he was 79 years old, Mr. Lathrop had only recently become an ardent sailor. His best known works in various museums are landscapes, but since taking to the sea, marines had become his favorite subjects. His home was in the art colony at New Hope, and in his backyard there a few years ago he built a sailboat, which he named the "Widge".

Since then Lathrop had sailed the little craft tirelessly, sometimes being absent for a week or ten days before his family heard from him. The grandeur of the ocean in a storm appealed to him particularly.

The artist had been sailing off Montauk in his small boat when the wind apparently carried him out to sea. The boat had her dinghy later washed into a dock there.

Lathrop was born in Warren, Ill., on March 29, 1859. He became an associate of the National Academy of Design in 1902 and a National Academician five years later. He was a member of the New York Water Color Club and the Rochester Art Club. In 1896 he received the Evans prize of the American Water Color Society and the following year the gold medal of the Art Club of Philadelphia. He won the Webb prize of the Society of American Artists in 1899. In 1901 he won a bronze medal at the Pan-American Exposition and achieved a similar honor at the St. Louis Exposition in 1904 and at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915. He won the gold medal for oils and the silver medal for water colors. One of his paintings, "The Meadows," is in the Metropolitan Museum of Art. "Clouds and Hills" is at the Minneapolis Museum, "Three Trees" at the National Museum of Art in Washington and "Abandoned Quarry" is at Carnegie Institute. Others of his paintings are at the Hackley Art Gallery in Muskegon, Mich., and at other institutions.

Mr. Lathrop was married in 1888 to the former Annie Burt of Oxford, England, who died three years ago. Surviving are five children, Julian and Nancy, of New Hope; Joseph B., of Rye, N. Y.; Mrs. Stephen Strang, of Golden, Col., and Mrs. Ralph Bauhan, of Princeton, N. J.



Near the laundry



Laundry
roof gone



Front of
Masonic Hall



On the beach
near store
came from west shore

Good Work

East Hampton in future years may well look back with pride on the spirit of East Hampton during the hurricane of 1938 when cool heads prevailed and willing hands helped relieve a terrifying situation. The storm had barely passed its peak early last evening when members of the fire department Coast Guard, and other volunteers were chopping trees to clear a one-way route for automobiles along Main Street and other important thoroughfares.

This morning many of these unfortunate enough to suffer property damage were out inspecting the damage with carpenters and masons planning for immediate repairs. Many offers of assistance came from those who were willing to work in clearing the wreckage and it is expected that very soon East Hampton will present a neat and orderly appearance.

Ferris Talmage took his tractor to Napeague at 3 A. M. today, to make a way through the three feet of wet sand covering the highway there, so that Dr. Paul Nugent and Supervisor Perry B. Duryea and Town Clerk Richard Gilmartin could get through. Dr. David Edwards had to get to the eastern end of Springs to set a broken arm.

School teachers and hospital workers were among those rendering valuable service. In the schools the teachers reassured their young charges that the storm would soon pass and there was never a hint of panic as order prevailed and plans were made to feed and house the children should the storm have continued. The Southampton Hospital was taxed to capacity and valiant service was rendered by those ministering to the injured.

Volunteer workers were eager to answer all calls for assistance and it is to the everlasting credit of all that everything possible was done to aid those in distress.

The worst is over and residents of East Hampton and neighboring communities have lived up to the finest traditions of their Colonial forebears.





Hall



Tower at
R.R. pier





Buildings across road



Don't know how
Perry's store & "callers"



store



Road

Town Officials at Montauk



Town Clerk Richard T. Gilmartin and Supervisor Perry B. Dur-
yea, who gave invaluable service in organizing and administer-
ing relief to those in need at Montauk.



Looking from garage



Ice houses gone



Market & store



Where our home
once stood
looking east



Same
looking south



Across the
pond and in



Porch callers
Beach house & market (H)



Over in the hollow



Coming round the mountain



On the road





"Skippy"
arrived first



still in the
water



cleared for
moving



Dick White's
store



Side of store



Dick picking up
remains



Clarence Paons house
only one left on beach
between us and Dan Parson



Ollie's house



Cabins at
Fishing pier



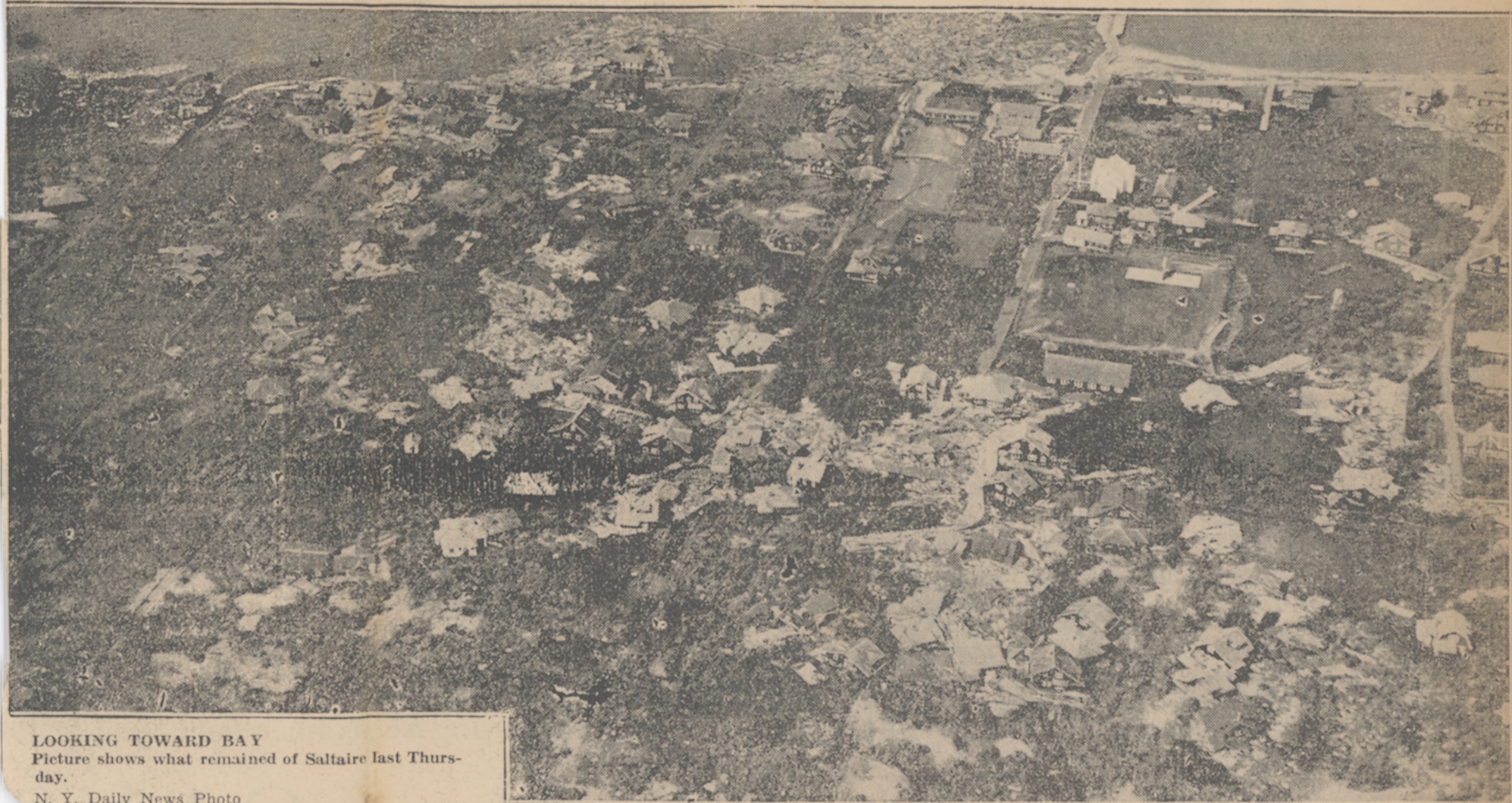
From beach crossed
R.R. track to meadow

Main Street Elms . . . Gone!



THE COUNTY REVIEW, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1938

Air View of Saltaire Village After Tidal Wave and Record-breaking Storm Grew Calm



LOOKING TOWARD BAY

Picture shows what remained of Saltaire last Thursday.

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Judge Charles H. Duryea of Sayville was unable to get in touch with his brother, East Hampton Supervisor Perry Duryea, by telephone or telegraph Wednesday night to see if all was well with the eastern half of the family. Thursday morning, however, friends of the Sayville judge reported they had heard a radio news announcement that Supervisor Duryea had issued an appeal for immediate aid from outside sources.



2 Million Loss On Fire Island

Property damage on Fire Island during the hurricane a week ago yesterday totalled about \$2,500,000, it appeared from estimates this week. The immense loss was due chiefly to effects of the tidal wave which swept across from the ocean to Great South Bay at several points. Observers say that waves, set in motion by Long Island's freak tropical storm while the tide was high, broke against the ocean-front at a height of nearly 30 feet.

Destruction along the beach, which extends from the inlet eastward beyond Cherry Grove, was difficult for people on the mainland to picture without actually seeing it, inasmuch as the principal loss elsewhere in Islip Township comprised trees uprooted or broken by the storm, and electric and telephone wires shattered, with the resulting interruption of service at many places from Wednesday afternoon until Thursday morning or later.

About 170 workers assigned by WPA headquarters in Northport arrived Saturday, led by Sam Mittman of Huntington. They have since been clearing debris on Fire Island Beach and opening up communications which were closed by the catastrophe.

Mayor Paul Schmitt of Saltaire has praised the accomplishments of WPA men at that village, lauding the work performed there despite tremendous obstacles.

Coast Guards from Fire Island Station are helping to remove the ruins and also putting their own equipment in shape, the outbuildings and dock of their station itself having been ruined by the tidal wave.

Suffolk Guards in charge of Roy Kennedy left Bay Shore last Sunday morning, to stay at beach communities all day clearing up debris and helping refugees find articles in damaged buildings.

265 Houses Gone

The Review has interviewed persons best qualified to tell how many homes were washed away in the various Fire Island communities, finding these approximate totals:

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Kismet Park	22	2	1
Saltaire	90	15	60
Fair Harbor	70	—	8
Lonelyville	14	3	2
Ocean Beach and			
Sea View	4	4	700
Point o' Woods	0	8	125
Cherry Grove	65	—	20
Estimated Totals	265	32	922

Suffolk Clean Storm; Many A

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the total of identified dead in Suffolk County to 40. The "known missing" list at Westhampton Beach, which has been reduced from day to day as additional bodies were found, now contains the following names:

Seven-month-old infant, the child of Mrs. Peggy Brown; William Jarvis; C. W. Schlater; Mary Summer; Kate Hobson and Mrs. Robert Melvin.

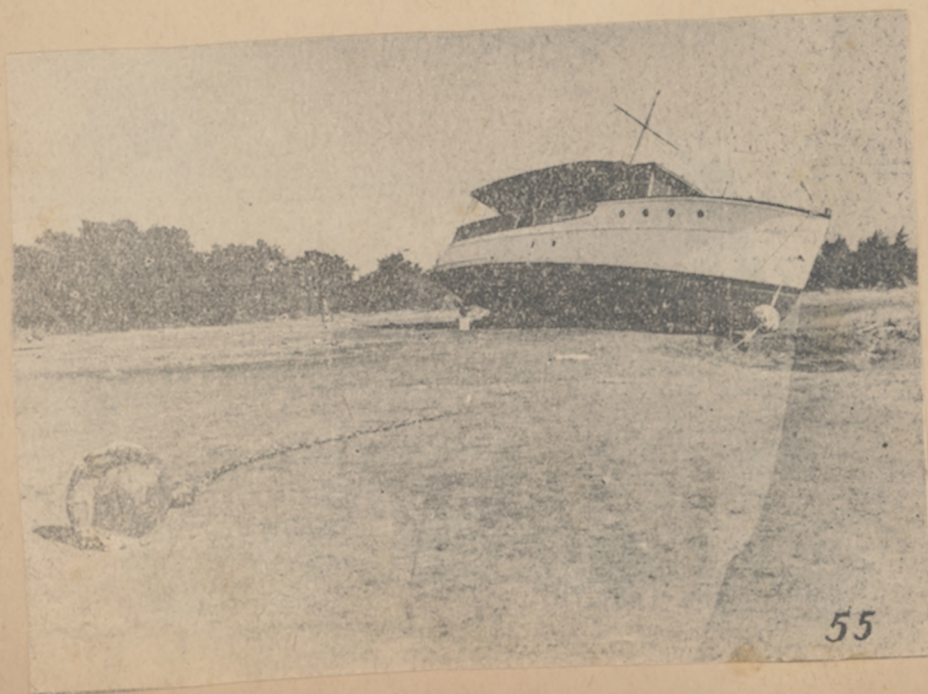
The Works Progress Administration has sent 1,300 workers into Suffolk County, 940 of which are concentrated at the Westhampton area, which seems to have been one of the focal points of the hurricane.

The Glenwood and Northport plants of the Long Island Lighting Company which were rendered useless by the tidal wave last Wednesday, have been restored to practical normalcy. The thousands of breaks in the lines caused by the terrific winds are rapidly being repaired and it is expected that before another week has passed, lighting service throughout the stricken area will be nearly as complete and efficient as it was before the hurricane hit.

Village, town and county police agencies have established a 24-hour patrol of the entire area as a preventative measure against looting. A number of minor cases have been reported in the stricken area.

Traffic in Suffolk County over the week-end surpassed all previous records. Cars on the main roads were traveling two abreast in both directions in a steady stream from early in the morning until late at night.

The 150 families from the fishing village of Montauk are still being cared for in the Montauk Manor Hotel. The Red Cross and the Suffolk County Welfare Departments under Welfare Commissioner Irving Williams are supplying them with the necessities of life. Their homes have been entirely wiped out.



ODDITIES OF STORM

Bob Green, one of the partners in Green's Drug Store, Westhampton, told the Review reporter that he went out into the Main street the afternoon of the storm and there was about a foot of water in the street. He came back into the store to tell his brother and when they went back outside the water was over the tops of the cars. This goes to show how quickly the water rose.

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A homeowner in Westhampton is the only one there, to our knowledge, that had hurricane insurance. The insurance company will have to make good because he has three witnesses from the house next door who saw the house go before the water hit.

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This statement was received from an authentic source but no name was given. One of the men who lost a house went to look for it on Saturday and found it broken into four pieces. In searching the house he found that the closet on the second floor was intact, and upon opening it found that his suits were not the slightest bit wet.

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On Monday morning, between the hours of 11 and 12, very nearly three thousand various and sundry types of sandwiches were consumed at Westhampton Beach.

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People who stayed in their houses saw the water being drawn out of the bay and seemingly disappear; then the wave broke carrying houses, telephone poles and everything with it.

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A dog belonging to a resident of Westhampton Beach appeared Thursday at the winter home of his owners very much exhausted and looking for his mistress. It would seem that the house that he was in when the wave struck was carried across the bay with the dog in it and broke when it struck the mainland. The dog not knowing why his home had disappeared, went directly to the winter residence.

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Arthur MacFarland, trucker from Westhampton was moving a party on the beach road when the wave hit. His truck was swept into the bay and the men from the truck together with many more clung to the roof of the house all night. There were eighteen in the party including a ten-month-old baby.

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David Potts was anchored in his yacht at the yacht basin when he saw the wave approaching. He started the engine of his boat and headed into it. After the wave passed he turned around and rode it to land. The boat finally wound up behind the Union Church on Liberty avenue.

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Mr. Fox, of the South Bay Consolidated Water Co., stated that before the storm there were 183 houses on the Dune road west of the Beach lane bridge. At the present time there are only six, of which two are in good condition.



In spite of the washout on the Napeague Beach Road, the editor and Charles Mansir drove to Montauk with the Stars at 9 o'clock Thursday night. They knew that White's Pharmacy had been demolished, and found Richard White across the street in Frank Tuma's tavern, and delivered to him the twenty-three Stars for which he has customers. Then papers were left with Frank Tuma, to give to the Montauk people rendered homeless by the storm; and the papers for regular subscribers, which had been cleared through the East Hampton Post Office, were delivered to Montauk Postmaster Cook; the Post Office having been wrecked.

Then they called on Supervisor Perry B. Duryea, with Town Clerk Richard Gilmartin. The fishing village roads were blocked; they had to drive around the back roads by Otto Steinfeldt's inn. They found the Supervisor in bed, exhausted from an all-night vigil on Wednesday. He made no mention of his great personal loss in the fishing village, but talked only of relief measures for others in the storm area here.

The other East Hampton Stars were delivered on Thursday evening between 7 and 8 o'clock to Sag Harbor, Bridgehampton, Southampton, Wainscott, and Sagaponack; and

MONTAUK

MONTAUK BOATS ASHORE

At Montauk Lake twenty-nine fishing boats were blown ashore by the hurricane. These represent boats of all sizes and value. Some being worth as much as \$25,000. It is estimated that the average value of the boats blown up is \$5,000. With the boats laying from a hundred to three hundred feet up on the beach, the task of launching them is tremendous.

The gas dock in the entrance to the lake, managed by Sam Joyce, is completely demolished, including buildings. At the yacht club several boats are sunk alongside the dock. A few boats anchored up by the bridge weathered the hurricane safely.

Mrs. Gunnar Strandberg, whose husband is employed at the Willard Restaurant, was at the time of the hurricane, helping her husband put up boards over the restaurant's windows. Unable to get back to her house in the fishing village until after the storm, she was worried over the safety of a two-year-old baby. Going home she found the child safe, but there were three others houses resting against her own, and an automobile crashed through the wall of her dining room.

Gene McGovern, Montauk fisherman, entered the post office to get his mail. The wind and tide came up so suddenly that he was unable to leave. As the building started to move, he kicked the window out of the rear of the building to escape. The building was carried 400 feet away.

Mrs. Edwin Tuthill, living at the edge of Tuthill's pond, was an eyewitness to the sight of fishermen's houses being carried along the beach and into the pond. She saw one woman with a baby in her arms retreating before the tidal wave. As the hurricane reached its zenith, she was forced to abandon her house and seek the safety of the house of Supervisor Perry Duryea,



The old beach-house
left

Wreckage and Flooded Roads at Montauk



Helped Homeless



Supervisor Perry B. Duryea, who suffered enormous losses himself, made urgent representations at Washington to secure aid for homeless fisherfolk at Montauk.

RED CROSS APPEAL FOR STRICKEN AT MONTAUK VILLAGE

Mrs. Charles O. Gould, chairman of the local American Red Cross Chapter, asks that all those able to donate clothing and bedding for destitute at Montauk lend their assistance.

This is an urgent appeal. The fishing village was wiped out and many there are homeless and without clothing or bedding.

Send donations to Mrs. Charles O. Gould at Toilsome Lane.

SIX ARE DROWNED AS TRAWLER SINKS

Men Perish When Lifeboat
Capsizes as They Leave the
Foundering Craft

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.
MONTAUK, L. I., Sept. 23.—A marine disaster due to Wednesday's hurricane was reported here today when survivors told of the foundering of the Ocean View, a fishing vessel, off Fishers Island, with the loss of six members of the crew.

Several other fishing boats still are missing, and little hope is held for the safety of their crews, the number and identity of which are not yet determined. Those drowned in the sinking of the Ocean View are:

Roy Griffin, pilot, Shelter Island.
Thomas Forsett, chief engineer, Round Pound, Me.
Samuel Coleman, second engineer, Weems, Va.
Elton Smith, deckhand, Weems, Va.
David Starvi, deckhand, Lillian, Va.
Jeff Hodge, deckhand, Weems, Va.

Captain William Smith of Fairport and sixteen other members of the crew were saved.

The Ocean View, owned by the Smith, Meal Company, was fishing for "bunkers," a fish that furnishes "bunker oil" for the manufacture of soap, and which, in its desiccated form, is widely used as a fertilizer. The vessel was fishing on the Promised Land grounds, near Fishers Island, when the storm began to blow up. Before the boat could manoeuvre for steerage-way in the gale which enveloped it, it began to take water and sink.

Captain Smith ordered the crew to take to the boats. Sixteen men got in one boat, and the others launched a second. This one had difficulty in getting under way and capsized. The other boat was unable to reach the men in time to rescue them.

The fishing boats Robert E. and Rollin Wilcox, at first thought to be missing, made other ports yesterday.

Boys Skeleton

Dr. and Mrs. David Edwards had no word from their older son Capt. Richard Edwards, who was out on the fishing steamer Elizabeth Edwards in the blow; until the next afternoon a message came through from Connecticut that he and all hands on board were safe. They also had no word from their younger son, James, who lives in Hartford, Conn. All communication to Hartford was cut, and flood news from there caused great anxiety. The first news they had of him was when a plane circled low over the house on Friday, and shortly afterward he appeared with a friend; they had flown down to reassure the family, and returned at once.

The old mill at Water Mill, restored at considerable cost as a priceless relic of Colonial days, a few years ago, is practically a wreck from the storm. East Hampton's three old mills, also that on the Lathrop Brown place at Montauk, are in good shape, only some arms being damaged.

Mrs. Ella Barbour was down from New York last week-end to look over what remained of her Beach Hampton Club. Dishes were dug intact out of the sand, but very little remained to be saved out of the heap of splintered wood. The Star is informed on reliable authority that the club, built last spring at a cost of more than \$75,000, carried no insurance whatever. Mrs. Barbour took her loss bravely. It was fortunate that she had closed up, and that no lives were lost.



Ella Barbour



THE KNOWN DEAD

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An airplane view of the Village of Westhampton Beach showed that the center of the storm passed very nearly directly over Westhampton. The view from a plane shows Long Island to appear like a doll's garden and the strip where the Westhampton Beach Colony was looks as though someone had taken a whisk broom and swept right through it. At the present writing 22 bodies have been recovered and identified as having been lost from the fashionable beach colony.

The baymen around the shoreline in Westhampton can not yet figure out how the hurricane struck with so little warning. Between one and three P. M. the barometer dropped from a high of 29.78 to an extreme low of 27.43. As the barometer dropped the wind rose and by three o'clock was blowing with an approximated velocity of ninety miles an hour.

Police Agencies Aid

At about seven o'clock on Wednesday night all available men from the Sheriff's office, State Troopers, and Village and Town Police had been called to aid in the rescue work. A system was immediately set up in the Village Hall where all persons either missing or believed missing were placed on a list, this list was either added to or names taken off as they were found. At the present time the county police forces are augmented, in Westhampton, by a force of State Troopers numbering in the neighborhood of seventy-five. These troopers have been taken off their stations as far north as Lake George. They are from Troops K, L, G, and C and are under the personal supervision of Major John Warner, superintendent of the New York State Police, assisted by Captain James Flynn, of Troop L, and Captain J. A. Gaffney, of Troop K.

Troopers are stationed at all roads leading into Westhampton and are halting all cars entering the village. The only road through the village is the Riverhead road and none may get by without a special pass issued by the Village Police.

All of these police forces were aided the first few nights by volunteers from the various American Legion Posts and Volunteer Fire Departments. These men patrolled the stricken area to prevent looters from rifling the houses and wreckage.

Party Saved

At dawn on Thursday morning Otto Kammerer and Otis Bradley, the father of two children who were the guests of the Norvin Greens, went across the bay to take some of the survivors from the bay side of the strip of beach. They headed for the clump of houses which were still standing on the dune, one of which was the Green house. The going was hard because of the great amount of wreckage and the danger of impairing the propeller by telephone wires and various other things floating in the water. When they reached the beach they picked up the Bradley children and several others and started to the mainland telling the others that they would come back for them.

KNOWN DEAD

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Beach Club, Southampton.
MRS. WILLIAM JARVIS, 61,
Westhampton Beach, found at
16th hole golf links.

GEORGE MANSFIELD, 2051-
111th road, Jamaica.

PAYSON STONE DOUGLAS,
Llewellyn Park, West Orange,
N. J.

AGNES CLELLAND, 65, West-
hampton Beach, maid of the
McFarlanes, found in Quogue.

ROBERT MELVIN, colored,
Dune Surf Club waiter of
Westhampton Beach and Flor-
ida.

AT QUOGUE

THOMAS FAY, 21, local boy,
found Ponquogue Bridge,
Hampton Bays.

CHARLES LOMAS, JR., of
Quogue.

AT EASTPORT

OLIVER RAYNOR, 62, East-
port, body recovered south side
of Bay, Moriches.

MARSHALL HAWKINS, East-
port, body recovered south side
of Bay, Moriches.

AT SOUTHAMPTON

MRS. FLORENCE LEE HUNT-
ER, colored, Southampton,
drowned off Beach Club, body
found at Lake Agawam.

MRS. DELLA LEE JOHNSON,
colored, Southampton,
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found at Lake Agawam.

AT EAST HAMPTON

DOMINIC GRACE, East Hamp-
ton, killed when garage caved
in while trying to prop it up.

AT BRIDGEHAMPTON

ALEX JAMES, Bridgehampton,
killed when car went through
Sag Bridge.

AT MONTAUK

CAPTAIN SAM EDWARDS,
body found floating near beach
at Block Island.

AT SHELTER ISLAND

ROY P. GRIFFIN, Shelter Is-
land, drowned after sinking of
fishing steamer, Ocean View.

AT GREENPORT

DAVID STARVIS, Reedville,
Va., colored, deck hand on
steamer, Ocean View, washed
ashore at Orient.

AT SOUTHDOLD

EMMETT YOUNG, 35, died in
the Eastern L. I. Hospital Fri-
day of injuries received when
he was blown off the roof of a
building.

AT CAPTREE ISLAND

JOHN TOOKER, 60, drowned
near Cedar Island.

AT SALTAIRE

MRS. WALTER DAVIS,
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swept away her home.

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All of the party in the Green house were saved.

Wreckage Indescribable

It is impossible to describe the wreckage in the village. Huge boats were swept across the bay and to within 100 feet of the Main street. A large yacht, belonging to Standish Medina, was swept to the tenth green of the Westhampton Country Club, a distance of more than a mile and a half inland.

Many Cars In Bay

Many cars have been found in the bay, having been abandoned and swept there by the force of the tidal wave. The men from the Moriches Coast Guard station are raising the cars and looking for bodies of those who were unable to escape. Already about sixteen have been raised and the police check the licenses to see whether they belong to anyone who is on the missing list. Jewels and other valuables have been taken out of the cars and turned in to the police. Nothing is being taken out of the office at the present time but when an owner identifies his or her property, it is tagged and kept in the safe.

WPA Aids Clean-Up

On Monday morning some 900 WPA workers from all over Long Island arrived at Westhampton to take over the enormous job of cleaning up the debris and looking it over for bodies. They started back at the furthest point inland reached by the tidal wave and are working back to the beach. At the time this article is being written there is still a great deal of territory still unsearched and it is possible that many more bodies will be found. There will probably be bodies found that were not even known as missing and others, known to be missing, will never be found.

Westhampton Optimistic

The residents of Westhampton are showing a very optimistic attitude. Almost every person spoken to who lost houses say that they are going to start building again. It is very possible that the beach, which was very thickly populated, will never be built up as thickly as before. The beach, as it is at the present time, is very wide and flat

steamer, Ocean View, washed ashore at Orient.

AT SOUTHOLD

EMMETT YOUNG, 35, died in the Eastern L. I. Hospital Friday of injuries received when he was blown off the roof of a building.

AT CAPTREE ISLAND

JOHN TOOKER, 60, drowned near Cedar Island.

AT SALTAIRE

MRS. WALTER DAVIS, drowned when the tidal wave swept away her home.

MRS. MAE HAAS, Brooklyn, drowned.

MADAME D. V. BAZINET, the Bronx, drowned.

and would make an ideal beach for summer bathing.

Chief Stanley Teller and Officer "Tim" Robinson, of the Westhampton Police Department were among those who performed heroic deeds during the storm. Between them Teller and Robinson got nineteen people off the beach and to safety by means of a roof. During the early part of the storm Chief Teller received a call from the home of Judge McCooley on the beach. Teller and Robinson went to the beach taking both cars with them as they were afraid that one would become wet and not start. When they arrived at the McCooley home Robinson turned in the drive and had his car parked on dry ground, Teller's was in about six inches of water. They went up to the house and when they came out to get into the cars they saw them swept out into the bay right before their eyes. While they stood there the roof of the house came off and floated right by them. The two officers each grabbed one end of the roof and held it while the McCooley family and the servants climbed on. The roof then started across the bay with the refugees clinging desperately to the roof. All the way across the two officers dragged people on until when it landed in Quogue there were nineteen persons there. Chief Teller says that he can not figure yet where some of the people came from, that they simply seemed to pop up out of the water.

On the trip across Teller kept telling the people that it would not be very long before they arrived at their destination. Aside to Robinson he would say, "My Gosh, aren't we ever going to get there?"

All the way across the colored maids from the McCooley residence sang negro spirituals to keep their sagging spirits up.

Lou Green, a Legionnaire, was another who performed a very heroic deed. Despite the fact that he is unable to swim a stroke he went over to the beach and brought back three women on a house top. He said after the catastrophe was over that he had not thought a thing about not being able to swim all the way across the bay.

A great deal of credit is due the local women who worked night and day keeping the workers supplied with hot coffee and soup, sandwiches and beans. Without this cooperation it would have been very hard for the men who were placed on guard duty all night.

RAZED WIRE LINES TAX REPAIR MEN

Phone Company Reports Service Is 'in Very Bad Shape' in Many Districts

GAINS IN WESTCHESTER

Long Island and New England Suffer Most—Providence Hardest Hit City

Renewed efforts to restore communication lines severed by Wednesday's storm were made yesterday by telephone companies in the metropolitan area, Long Island and New England. A representative of the New York Telephone Company reported that service was still "in very bad shape" in certain parts of Long Island, notably at Sag Harbor, Montauk, Amagansett, Fire Island, Quogue, East Quogue, Peconic and Mattituck. So many telephones are out of service in that area that only emergency calls were being put through.

Great headway was reported in Westchester, although 1,300 telephones were still out of service. Transmission there, however, was said to be poor. It was expected that service would be much improved in that area after the weekend. A hundred telephones were out of service in the Bronx yesterday.

Conditions in New England were described as "extremely bad," in spite of the efforts of an emergency crew working twenty-four hours a day to restore normal service. Providence was said to be the hardest hit of any of the New England cities.

The long-distance office of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company reported the heaviest day's traffic yesterday in the history of that division as a result of flood conditions in New England. The office's operating force was tripled in order to handle the company's curtailed lines it was said yesterday.

"Notwithstanding the restoration of long-distance circuits along many backbone routes, the unprecedented traffic continues to cause delays ranging up to two hours and considerably more," a company statement said.

Telephone conditions in Vermont were said to be "somewhat better." There was still no service to many parts of New Hampshire. More than one hundred communities in New England are still out of touch by telephone. While thousands of telephones are being reconnected others are reported going out of commission.

The latest estimate is that 250,000 telephones are still not working.

Air Bookings Heavy On Shuttle to Boston

For the third successive day, four of the nation's major domestic air lines continued yesterday to shuttle back and forth between New York and Boston with passengers in an effort to supplement storm-crippled rail and highway communications.

Demands for reservations remained at a high level and American Airlines, holder of exclusive routes rights between the two cities, said 790 persons had arranged for space on planes leaving up to midnight. United Air Lines, TWA and Eastern Air Lines, which do not regularly go into Boston, are flying the emergency route upon the invitation of American.

It was announced that 1,649 persons had been carried between the two points Friday afternoon and night by the four lines. A check of the passengers revealed that about 60 per cent of them were flying for the first time.

CAPE COD LOOTING HAMPERS CLEAN-UP

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ly from flood crests reached Thursday.

Communications with the stricken regions of Eastern Long Island and New England were beginning to be opened yesterday. WPA headquarters in Washington reported that more than 10,000 miles of New England roads had been made passable in the last two days in the stricken areas.

The Automobile Club of New York reported considerable improvement in highways into Connecticut and Rhode Island, although not all of the roads were in what club officials termed "A1 condition." Train service was not available directly to Boston last night, although connections might be made by bus. Parts of eastern Long Island were likewise still without train service.

For the third successive day four airlines shuttled between New York and Boston. More than 1,600 passengers have been carried on these trips. The planes also carried 29,000 pounds of mail yesterday and 10,000 pounds Friday. Limited quantities of clothing, telephone supplies and chlorine for water also were carried on the airliners.

Telephone Lines Repaired

The New York Telephone Company announced last night that thousands of telephones disrupted by the storm had been repaired in Westchester County, the Bronx, Brooklyn and Queens. The blowing down of trees and the disrupting of telephone and electric light wires were about the worst difficulties brought to New York City by the blow.

STORM-RIDDLED SHIP HERE

Schooner, Leaking, Rudder Useless, Saved by Coast Guard

Leaking badly and with her masts gone and rudder disabled as the result of being battered by the hurricane last Wednesday, the British schooner Fieldwood, bound from Turks Island to Providence, R. I., with a crew of seven under Captain A. C. Ker, was towed into Quarantine yesterday.

The four-masted schooner, with a cargo of salt, sent out a call for help on Friday when she was at Lat. 40.13 degrees N., Long. 72.30 degrees W. At 1:45 A. M. yesterday the Coast Guard cutter Champlain found her at Lat. 40.14 degrees N., Long. 72.25 W., and towed her to Sandy Hook, where she was met by the tug Turecamo Girls of the Turecamo Towing Company, Cropsey and Twenty-fourth Avenues, Brooklyn, and brought to Quarantine. It is expected the Fieldwood will remain there today and tomorrow and then proceed to the Red Hook Flats off the Erie Basin in Brooklyn.

Programs of immediate and or long-range relief and rehabilitation engaged the attention of the authorities in Washington and in the storm-swept regions. The American Red Cross is seeking \$500,000. From the Cathedral of St. John the Divine yesterday Bishop William T. Manning made an appeal to the clergy in charge of congregations throughout the country to make generous contributions to the Red Cross.

It was announced from the headquarters of the Federal Housing Administration in Washington that the authority was prepared to guarantee "disaster loans" to assist persons whose property was damaged by the hurricane and attendant floods.

Our Main Streets Will Rise Again

An Editorial

Rome, burned to the ground, rose more gloriously than before. He who doubts the like recuperative powers of the Eastern Long Island communities does not know the character of this countryside and its people. The task of rebuilding, restoration, rehabilitation, admittedly the greatest in our history, is now being accomplished at a pace which bespeaks unlimited assets of mind and spirit as well as vast material resources. Suffolk County is taking the hurricane in her stride.

Already, order is again replacing the chaos left by the storm. Communications are rapidly being restored; the debris is vanishing from our streets. Homes and buildings are being repaired and owners who lost their homes are making their plans for rebuilding. In a year's time, there will be little physical trace of the hurricane of Sept. 21, 1938, except for the lamentable absence of the great trees which fell victim to the fury of the storm.

Suffolk's greatest loss is, of course, the loss of life. Those of our relatives, our friends and our neighbors who died in last Wednesday's catastrophe will be mourned for many years to come. Our sympathy goes out to the families saddened by the deaths of loved ones. They should find what comfort they can in the knowledge that the disaster was beyond the power of humans to avert or avoid and in the realization that all was done that could be done to reduce the loss of life.

There you have one of the brightest pages in the annals of the storm—the genuine heroism, devotion and self-sacrifice of the thousands who forgot their own losses to help others in the all-important task of rescuing and caring for the refugees. Officials, police, firemen, Coast Guards, private citizens all did their part without thought of the very real dangers of their work. These, and the many others who volunteered assistance in other ways, deserve the thanks of the community.

The capably-edited East Hampton Star carried a front-page editorial last week captioned "Main Street To Rise Again!" Using the phrase in the sense made famous by Sinclair Lewis, we emphatically say: "The Main Streets of Eastern Long Island—every village and hamlet in this broad county—will rise again!"

Hurricane

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F THE STORM

It is doubtful if there were two men in Suffolk County who, from the viewpoint of property loss, were harder hit than Supervisors Perry B. Duryea of East Hampton and Everett C. Tuthill of Shelter Island. Mr. Duryea lost his dock, fish house and other buildings at Montauk. Mr. Tuthill saw his five boathouses at his shipyard reduced to kindling wood and had a narrow escape in the bargain when a section of roof, torn off one boathouse, cut through the roof of another, a moment after he and three other men evacuated the building. Yet both men put their duty to their communities and their towns first. Supervisor Duryea pleaded for help for the Montauk fishermen, whom, he said, "local interests" could no longer assist in time of misfortune. Supervisor Tuthill, a fellow Shelter Islander tells us, was out with the repair gangs, swinging an ax with the best of them, and letting his personal affairs go to later.

8 DEAD, 8 MISSING HURRICANE TOLL OF EAST HAMPTON

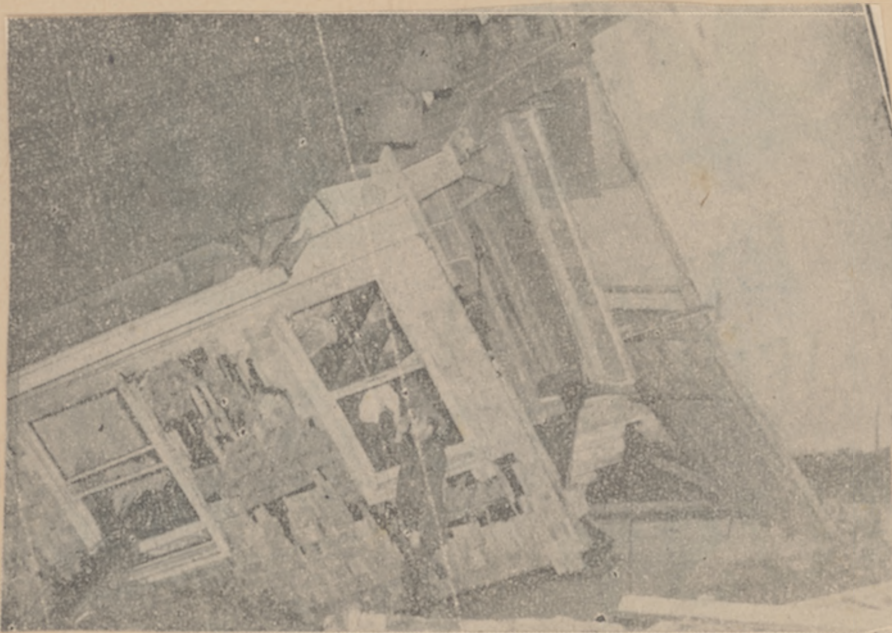
Westhampton Has 30 Identified Dead and 8 Persons Missing

Eastern Long Island is trying this week to forget the horrors of the hurricane havoc which swept through Long Island and across Long Island Sound to New England last Wednesday and claimed a possible sixteen lives in East Hampton township—eight known dead, and eight others missing, with hope fading fast. Westhampton, hardest hit of any Long Island community, has thirty identified bodies and another eight missing of those who were swept by the swirling seas. Only one East Hampton man, Dominick Grace, died of injuries ashore, the others were claimed by the sea. Samuel Edwards' body drifted in at Block Island and his brother, Gilbert Edwards, Herbert Field and Vivian Smith are unreported. Seth Scribner and Claude Burrows, who were trying to save Scribner's boat in Fort Pond Bay as the hurricane hit Montauk, are also feared for. No trace has been found of them or the boat. Six known dead from the Smith Meal Company's menhaden steamer, Ocean View, which foundered near Faulkner's Island, are Roy Griffin, pilot, Shelter Island; Chief Engineer Kermit Forsett, of Round Pound, Me.; Second Engineer Samuel Coleman, of Weems, Va.; Elton Smith and Jesse Hodge, also of Weems, Va., and David Starvi, of Lillian, Va.

It was a strong fight and a game fight which all of these men must have put up against the raging hurricane, with seas of tidal-wave proportions, but it was Man against the Elements—and man lost. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved families. Property loss is something that can always be replaced in some manner or other but human lives cannot be brought back.

William Lathrop, 80, of New Hope, Pa., retired, who had spent several summers at Montauk on his boat and who did a great deal of painting in the vicinity of Montauk, is thought to have been lost in the hurricane. He was last seen on his boat "Widge" at Lake Montauk shortly before the hurricane, but no trace has been found of his body. Coast Guardsmen have dragged Lake Montauk for his body and also the bodies of two unidentified men who were seen

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LOSS OF 6 MEN ON "OCEAN VIEW" TOLD BY SURVIVORS OF STEAMER

Officers and crew of the fishing steamer Ocean View, owned by the Smith Meal Company of Promised Land, which went down in Long Island Sound on Wednesday afternoon of last week, told a harrowing story of their experiences. Captain Wm. Smith of Fairport, Va., was saved. Six men were lost: Roy Griffin of Shelter Island, N. Y.; Chief Engineer Kermit Forsett of Found Pond, Me.; Samuel Coleman, 2nd engineer, of Weems, Va.; Elton Smith of Weems, Va.; David Starvi of Lillian, Va.; and Jesse Hodge of Weems, Va.

The Ocean View's loss is thought to be due to the breaking of her crankshaft in the storm. She was making for Promised Land with 125,000 fish on board; and kept going east in the teeth of the storm

until about 3:30. They saw Plum Gut, and wanted to beach the boat on Long Island. The doors were torn off the engine room; everything was adrift. With the engine disabled, the boat was out of control. The seine boats unhooked themselves; somehow the men got into them. Sixteen members of the colored crew got into one boat, and almost made shore safely. A great sea took them right over a concrete sea-wall, boat and all, near Madison, Conn., but one man was crushed on the concrete. The boat from which Roy Griffin and four members of the crew were lost swamped in about ten minutes after it was launched, and the survivors were in the water until 11 o'clock that night.



Quit Florida to Miss Storm; Found It Here

The freakish tropical hurricane which lashed eastern Long Island played a mean trick on one man at Georgica, near East Hampton. He told Commander William Wulff, of the Fourth District Coast Guard, that he expected the storm would strike Florida, so he drove night and day in order to reach his home near East Hampton. Upon arriving there he found the residence wrecked.

Pianist Among The Drowned

Mrs. John Francis O'Brien of Manhattan, who was drowned at Southampton during the great storm last Wednesday, was known on the piano concert stage as Huddie Johnson. Funeral services were held in St. Bartholomew's Chapel, New York City, on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. O'Brien's mother, Mrs. Mary M. Johnson, was also drowned at the same time. Mrs. O'Brien was born in Coldwater, Mich., in 1901. She was graduated from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music in 1929 and came to New York, where she won a fellowship at the Juilliard School. She studied music there and in Germany, where in 1933 she won the Naumberg prize.

Recently she had appeared often here and on the European continent, especially in Germany, on the concert stage. She also appeared as soloist with a number of symphony orchestras.

Islip Death Toll Is Four; One Missing

Wife of Saltaire School Teacher Is a Storm Victim; Bait Vendor Lost At West Island.

Islip Town's death toll in the worst hurricane ever experienced by south shore communities was at least four, while the fact that a Sayville man is still missing leads authorities to believe the storm claimed five lives.

John Tooker, 60, a bachelor who made his home on Captree Island, was found dead last Thursday near Cedar Island, his lifeless body tangled in a fish net. While the storm was raging he borrowed the sharpie of Babylon Town Supervisor Wood to go out to his boat, anchored off-shore, and drowned after somehow losing his balance. Tooker had gained a livelihood for many years by gardening, fishing and clamming. A lover of the great outdoors, he was fond of reading and occasionally wrote verse.

Teacher's Wife Lost

Mrs. Walter Davis, wife of the Saltaire school teacher, lost her life when the tidal wave swept away her home. Carried into Great South Bay with the building, she was drowned. At the time of the tragedy her husband had gone to the bayfront to fasten a boat more securely.

The other two persons whose bodies have been found are Mrs. Mae Haas of Brooklyn, and Madame D. V. Bazinet of the Bronx, victims at Saltaire. Max Haas, husband of one of the victims was among the first to reach Saltaire after the hurricane. News of his wife's death arrived at Coast Guard headquarters in Bay Shore while he was travelling to the beach in a boat Wednesday night or early Thursday.

Bait Stand Upset, Man Missing

A careful search by Coast Guards failed to locate the body of Fred Green of Sayville, who operated a bait stand in the bay just west of West Island. Green had been seen trying to row in a boat from West Island to his bait stand shortly before the wind changed its direction. While he was attempting to bail out his boat the stand upset. He has not been seen since.

Fire Island Coast Guards made a thorough search along the beach to Cherry Grove, so it is probable that the total loss of life at Fire Island Beach has already been discovered. It is estimated there were 400 persons on Fire Island when the storm struck.

Thousands of dollars, invested in fish nets and other gear was wiped out. The loss to West Sayville pound fishermen alone was conservatively estimated last Friday at \$75,000.

In Oak Beach, south of Babylon, about 50 houses were either down, washed away or moved from their foundations. Ocean water took possession of the parking field, wreck-

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School Children Calm When Hurricane Hits

The East Hampton High School, where over 700 children were at their lessons when the storm broke, was besieged with telephone calls from frantic parents as long as the telephone wires held out; but few were able to reach there to take their children home until the force of the wind had abated. The faculty insisted upon the children remaining in the building, unless accompanied out into the storm by a responsible adult. There was no panic. A few girls were crying, some of the little ones cried, a few boys lost their heads and tried to rush out into the storm; but the great majority behaved admirably.

The teachers kept their heads, and when firemen came to offer assistance, a dance was organized in the big auditorium and all the children gathered there. Everybody danced. Miss de Noyelles and Donald Meagher danced, which must have taken a good deal of courage under the circumstances. The loud speaker was put on the victrola for dancing, and the roar of the wind was drowned out. Window panes constituted the chief damage at the school; broken glass was flying, but so far no reports of injury have come in. It was feared that the children might have to remain in the school building overnight. Food was brought in. But finally, around 5:30 or 6 the wind had gone down enough to allow for walking with an adult, and most of the children left. The roads were cleared so that the Amagansett and Wainscott school buses left; only the Montauk children were kept in East Hampton overnight.

WIRELESS TOWERS CRASH

Napeague Beach was inundated, the water from the ocean cutting off Montauk and making an island of it for a time, just as they say it used to be ages ago. The two great 180-foot towers of the Mackay Wireless Company went down at 3:15 P. M. yesterday. H. Jackson Starke of East Hampton, returning from Montauk, saw them crash. Fortunately, the wind being the way it was, they did not fall across the Montauk Highway.

Washed Ashore by the Hurricane



The "Bunnie" was beached high and dry at Montauk between a parked truck and a building.

SYMPATHY!

We wish to express our deepest sympathy for those bereaved in last week's hurricane. East Hampton wives and children have been left without husbands and fathers; tragedy has visited our sister communities. Property damage can be made up in time. Beauty will be restored to us. But human life lost can never be restored.

Especially tragic is the storm-torn community of Westhampton Beach. Our fellow-editor, John L. King of the Hampton Chronicle, lost his wife when the tidal wave engulfed their home.

We are sorrowful. But we need not be bitter. The disaster of last week Wednesday does not seem comparable with the losses incurred in war. We, who are old enough to remember the high hearts that went into the last war, and the futility of it all, know that war loss is a bitter thing. The cloud that looms over the world today is far worse than that which menaced our peaceful homes last week. Man's cruelty to man is far worse than anything Nature can do to us.

In Charge of Feeding at Montauk



George Silva, manager of the Union News Company at Montauk, Mrs. S. T. Honey and Frank La Forge, who saw to it that the needy at Montauk were given three appetizing meals a day.

HOMELESS FED AT MONTAUK

During the emergency at Montauk, those people who lost their homes and belongings were fed at the restaurant of the Union News Company, located at the fishing pier of the Long Island Railroad. George Silva, manager, aided by Mrs. S. T. Honey and Frank LaForte, employees of the News Company, placed the restaurant's facilities at the disposal of those in want. Food was supplied by County Welfare Commissioner Irving Williams, who rushed it through in trucks. At night those homeless were sheltered at the Montauk Manor Annex. About a hundred and twenty-five people are being fed three times a day.

"ROBERT E" HAS ROUGH TRIP IN REACHING PORT

Capt. Herbert N. Edwards Jr. and other men of the menhaden fishing steamer "Robert E" returned to Promised Land Thursday afternoon after relatives had spent an anxious twenty-four hours awaiting news of them. Three "bunker" boats, the "Robert E," "Rowland Wilcox," and "Ocean View," had been fishing not far apart that morning. "When the glass began to jump," Captain Edwards said, "we headed for Promised Land. At 2 o'clock, by the looks of things, I knew we could never make Orient Point; so turned around toward New Haven, and ran before the gale for an hour and a half. Seven or eight miles past Faulkner's Island, we hove to; you couldn't steer, she was out of control. I was at the throttle and had the wheel, did my best to straighten her up, but it was no use, until the wind shifted. Then we were off Cow and Calf (four miles east of New Haven.) That was about 5 o'clock. You couldn't see the breakwater when we went through it. I just said, 'give her all she's got' and in we went.

"The docks were all submerged; you couldn't find one. We put her onto the flats about 6 o'clock. We found ourselves aground next morning; but got off on high water."

Captain Edwards said that nothing would ever scare him now, on the water; he knows that the "Robert E" would come through anything.

The "Rowland Wilcox" was able to make port in New England but the "Ocean View" foundered, losing six men, while Capt. William Smith and fifteen of his crew were saved when they reached Madison, Conn. in a seine boat.

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Whale Off Shore To See Damage

Coming in to look the village over after the storm on Friday, a large right whale came up to blow within 300 yards of the beach, off Ocean Avenue. He was first sighted by William Talmage, manager of the bathing pavilion.

Playing around for a half hour, the whale showed himself on the surface of the water in plain view. It is estimated that he was at least sixty-five feet long.

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NINE MORE BODIES FOUND AT BEACHES

Bright Day Aids in Hunt for
Victims of the Storm on
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AERIAL SURVEY IS MADE

It Shows 100 Autos Washed
Up in Inland Waterways—
Cars Will Be Searched

From a Staff Correspondent

WESTHAMPTON, L. I., Sept. 24.—A warm sun shone down on hurricane-battered Long Island today, making the search for the bodies of Wednesday's disaster victims easier for the searchers and aiding rehabilitation of utility systems.

Nine more bodies were recovered during the day at Westhampton, Southampton and Orient Point, on the North Shore, as the Coast Guard, WPA workers, American Legionnaires and volunteer workers patrolled the shore lines, the dunes and inland waterways.

A Coast Guard plane, making an aerial survey of the territory, counted at least 100 automobiles washed up in inland waterways. Tomorrow it is planned to make a systematic search of these to see if they may contain the bodies of victims and to compile registration numbers so their owners, if alive, can plan to recover them.

First Funerals Are Held

The first funerals for victims of the storm also were held at Westhampton. The body of Mrs. James Leslie Pinks of 969 Park Avenue, Manhattan, was buried in the morning in Westhampton Cemetery after services at the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that of Mrs. John King was buried in the afternoon after services at Brockett's Funeral Home.

Five bodies recovered at Westhampton were those of Mrs. J. F. O'Brien; Warren G. Leslie, manager of the West Hampton Dune and Surf Club; Mrs. Kate Mudford, superintendent and manager of the club; Mrs. Edward P. Lea of South Orange, N. J., and Miss Alberta River Williams, a maid in the home of Edward Connelly.

The bodies of Mrs. Lea and Mrs. Mudford were found buried in silt and wreckage in the rear of Raynor's garage on Westhampton Road, more than a mile from the Dune and Surf Club on the shore, where they were when the storm hit.

Initials "J. L. H." on Ring

Two bodies, neither of which had been identified, were recovered at Southampton. One was that of a woman, about 30 years old, on whose finger was a ring with the initials "J. L. H." The other body was that of a Negro woman. The body of an unidentified Negro man was found at Orient Point.

The body of Sam Edwards, one of a fishing party of four which was at sea when the storm struck, was washed up at East Hampton. The three others, Gill Edwards, Vivian Smith and Herbert Fields, still are missing. All were residents of the Montauk fishing village.

With electric and gas service largely restored, all main roads open

around like a child's building blocks and whose only means of livelihood, their boats, were destroyed or badly damaged.

Badly in Need of Funds

They were being housed in Montauk Manor, the exclusive club Carl Fisher built several years ago when he hoped to develop New York's easternmost area into another Miami Beach, and were being fed by East Hampton town officials in the ferryboat station.

Suffolk Deputy Sheriff Robert Fisher and County Supervisor Perry Duryea, who represents East Hampton town, in which the village is located, said several of the fishermen, if they could get money to repair their boats, planned to go south on them for the winter. The rest, they said, must have money to rebuild their homes and boats and to keep them going until they can again make their living from the sea.

The deputy sheriff credited the small loss of life in the village—only three dead—to the fact that the 125 to 150 children all were at school when the storm struck. The teachers kept them there for several hours. Adults were able to find refuge on higher ground before the waves swept their homes off the foundations.

A forty-mile drive from Westhampton to the Montauk Point Lighthouse by auto revealed that the rescue and rehabilitation work were well in hand.

Montauk Highway Passable

Although the Montauk Highway had been undermined at some points, it was still passable. The only inundation was a 10-foot stretch between Amagansett and

the Point, where the water still stood about a foot deep.

With more than 500 WPA workers already on the job, Harold P. C. Howe, Long Island district director, said 50 more would arrive by train from Freeport Monday morning, raising the total to approximately 1,100. He said they would immediately start rebuilding roads and restoring drainage ditches.



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It Shows 100 Autos Washed Up in Inland Waterways— Cars Will Be Searched

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WESTHAMPTON, L. I., Sept. 24.—A warm sun shone down on hurricane-battered Long Island today, making the search for the bodies of Wednesday's disaster victims easier for the searchers and aiding rehabilitation of utility systems.

Nine more bodies were recovered during the day at Westhampton, Southampton and Orient Point, on the North Shore, as the Coast Guard, WPA workers, American Legionnaires and volunteer workers patrolled the shore lines, the dunes and inland waterways.

A Coast Guard plane, making an aerial survey of the territory, counted at least 100 automobiles washed up in inland waterways. Tomorrow it is planned to make a systematic search of these to see if they may contain the bodies of victims and to compile registration numbers so their owners, if alive, can plan to recover them.

First Funerals Are Held

The first funerals for victims of the storm also were held at Westhampton. The body of Mrs. James Leslie Pinks of 969 Park Avenue, Manhattan, was buried in the morning in Westhampton Cemetery after services at the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that of Mrs. John King was buried in the afternoon after services at Brockett's Funeral Home.

Five bodies recovered at West Hampton were those of Mrs. J. F. O'Brien; Warren G. Leslie, manager of the West Hampton Dune and Surf Club; Mrs. Kate Mudford, superintendent and manager of the club; Mrs. Edward P. Lea of South Orange, N. J., and Miss Alberta River Williams, a maid in the home of Edward Connelly.

The bodies of Mrs. Lea and Mrs. Mudford were found buried in silt and wreckage in the rear of Raynor's garage on Westhampton Road, more than a mile from the Dune and Surf Club on the shore, where they were when the storm hit.

Initials "J. L. H." on Ring

Two bodies, neither of which had been identified, were recovered at Southampton. One was that of a woman, about 30 years old, on whose finger was a ring with the initials "J. L. H." The other body was that of a Negro woman. The body of an unidentified Negro man was found at Orient Point.

The body of Sam Edwards, one of a fishing party of four which was at sea when the storm struck, was washed up at East Hampton. The three others, Gill Edwards, Vivian Smith and Herbert Fields, still are missing. All were residents of the Montauk fishing village.

With electric and gas service largely restored, all main roads open and debris cleared from sidewalks and roadways, the main task confronting the various agencies co-operating in the area was care of the homeless and destitute and rehabilitation of wrecked homes and buildings.

Most seriously affected by the storm were the 300 residents of the fishing village at Montauk Point, whose small homes were shuffled

Perry Duryea, who represents East Hampton town, in which the village is located, said several of the fishermen, if they could get money to repair their boats, planned to go south on them for the winter. The rest, they said, must have money to rebuild their homes and boats and to keep them going until they can again make their living from the sea.

The deputy sheriff credited the small loss of life in the village—only three dead—to the fact that the 125 to 150 children all were at school when the storm struck. The teachers kept them there for several hours. Adults were able to find refuge on higher ground before the waves swept their homes off the foundations.

A forty-mile drive from Westhampton to the Montauk Point Lighthouse by auto revealed that the rescue and rehabilitation work were well in hand.

Montauk Highway Passable

Although the Montauk Highway had been undermined at some points, it was still passable. The only inundation was a 10-foot stretch between Amagansett and



Dear Anne

Was high & dry and
happy to say - not even a
flooded cellar. The ^{Brooklyn}
Inlet saved us - but the ^{Mountains}
waves were terrifying. Fred
heard at lunch time over the
Radio - the ~~hurricane~~ wave would
break about 4 PM - He came
right home & was here to
witness the break. As I had
seen thru some of these storms

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Completely washed to sea - No reports
on Ocean Beach so that would take
in Cherry Grove. Capt. Pichey
phoned Fred the Navy sending
help to Bay Shore & would advise
on conditions - He had a lot of
"gear" he left in our place for
next year. He had 25000 ^{insurance} ~~but~~
but that does not include hurricanes.
Montauk seems not to have
been in the path of it.

Thanks for thinking of us -
You were worried in the summer
about our nearness to the Inlet - but
really it saved us. Jimmy
Lauder's place badly damaged & etc.
We can still say a prayer of thankfulness
Love Mary

All on ^{our} street - which seemed
 as luck of wreckage showed -
 was the least hit - yet
 nearest the Inlet. That
 new brick house on point
 all undermined - but there
 it was a fool place to build.
 The skating rink washed out
 to sea. That worried us
 was Electricity - But they
 got it on about 8:30 & things
 then not so bad. One family
 hurried away at 7 PM - to home
 in Baldwin's which was without
 lights - so they drove right
 back again
 according to newspaper reports Fire Island

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F. B. DURYEA

1339 BEDFORD AVENUE

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

on G.I. with no prospect of
 getting to mainland I felt
 quite calm. Fire Dept & Police
 crowded advising those who were
 able to get away over the J. B.
 Causeway. At 6 30 P.M. Fred
 said he had changed & land
 Swells seemed a bit less ^{violent}
 Our neighbors with daughters
 in city at school took ^{all} his
 attention & quiet. Every one
 was invited to Fred's house
 when a half-pickled Pop declared
 work was yet to come - many
 women then became hysterical

MRS. STEPHEN C. DURYEA
43 SIMON STREET
BABYLON, LONG ISLAND

9-26-38-

My dear Ann;

Just a line to tell
you we survived the
terrible hurricane, with
only the loss of our
"shade producing" apple
tree. & Steve has gone
to Cherry Grove with
Charley today - Their lovely
house was washed out to
sea - along with several

others Charley owned were
swept in bay - so his
loss is truly great. details
of which you will learn
from them, also from
Perry. He sent a telegram
to Charley Thurs. (22nd)
following day - "He was
completely wiped out. all but
his home." reports since
have been very meager
due to all communications
East of Hampton Bays cut off.
We only know from

News papers - etc., one I
am enclosing - Sat. N.Y.
Times. said Perry was in
N.Y. when storm broke -
reached Southampton
obtained a tractor to
reach Montauk -

Glody's says your
cottage was washed
back on the hill -

Last Friday I went
to Oak Island with
Mrs Henry Daily to see
what was left of their
cottage - besides water

damage. they escaped - but
over 100 cottages there
were piled up as if they
were paper. If it had
occurred earlier in season
the loss of life would have
been far greater.

I am leaving now to
go to Bayville for
stern -

With much love
you and your
family - yours lovingly
Aunt Fannette -

37.50
100.00
137.50

Write soon

Mrs. Harry B. Howell
117 East Main Street
Riverhead, Long Island

Sept. 27-1938

My dear Anne:-

Don't know where to start, so much has happened since you people left, the summer was so short only were able to stay over night about three times after you left, it seemed after Labor Day the bottom dropped out of every thing, no fishing to speak of the party boats had a poor season. Helen Perkins passed away and after the funeral the boys & wives came to the house, we were so glad to see Steve and Jeannette. I think Em Perkins is at present at the Rest Home on Roanoke Ave. she said she would not

will not want to build near
water. I have not been to Mon-
tault, Uncle Harry would not
let me, the floor was ripped
up in shanty, everything
afloat, porch gone, cannot
understand how it stood up
did not move, all other bun-
galoes pushed back & twisted
understand your bungalow
went across pond, no lights,
telephones, & water pretty short
lost ice house, so means big
loss, did not carry any hurri-
cane insurance. The Litchards
went over to get Em Perkins the
night of the storm to take her
over to Sanitarian, would not
let them in, had every door &
window locked, they had to get
the Police & they made her un-
lock door & then took her over

leave home, the young woman
who had a room there, said
she could not stay there, she
was afraid, if anything went
wrong, she would accuse her.
You of course have heard from
Jane about the hurricane we
had last week, never was
so frightened, hope I never live
to see another, all our trees
down, we are certainly thank-
ful we have a roof over our
heads. Westhampton heard
that, so many lives lost, and
all homes on the dunes
gone, the Dune Deck where
we had lunch gone, also
the Barbour Club, it has cast
a gloom over everybody on
eastern Long Island, and afraid
it will be bad for L. I. people

to home, she is some deris. Jane
told me you met with an acci-
dent, do hope you are on the
mend & have some one to
help you, seems as if you had
good many upsets. Virginia
has been away for couple of days
she met Mrs Homan of Washington
they were at "The Woodstock", she
was to meet her the day we
had storm but could not go as
no train went, had a wash-
out east of here, so did not get
away until Thurs. P.M. came
back Saturday night. Been mak-
ing jelly, had some crab-apples
given me, so felt I must use
them, don't make much now
we do not use so much, Mother
& Florence loved all sweets. We
received your cards, glad to hear
from you. This leaves us pretty
good and hope you & family are the
same. Uncle Harry joins me in love
it all. As ever - Aunt Sam



Monday Sept
which you will have
in O.D. 2

Dear Anne

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When I wrote you no word
had gotten into or out of Montauk
for 2 days, after the storm. Fred
has tried to contact Perry but
without success, and we know
only what we read in papers.
Charley's 2 horses also swept
away. We were extremely

fortunate at Pt Lookout as we
got only the tail end - but a fearful
peg at it was - Wreckage all along
Jones Beach road. I saved a shamble.
Every house at Kinnest except one,
swept into Bay. School was in
session & 20 children were put in that
(Herberts) house. ³ All safe. - The house
had a concrete foundation & set high.
The only trace of ours was the bed ^{spring}
set down in the middle of the plot ^{and}
an anchor. There was a catamaran ^{under}
the house. perhaps someone was able to
use it.

Wednesday

Dear Ann,

It's just a week since the storm and what a week.

I'll try and start at the beginning and tell you what I can. Perry & I went to N.Y. leaving here a little after 8 A.M. and it was a fairly nice day. As we went up the Island it rained a bit and looked rather dark but not unusual. Perry had some business and after he got thru we had lunch and each went our own way. I was supposed to meet him at 4-30 but

around that it looked so
terrible decided to head for
the garage. When I got
to Queens Playa it
rained and blew so
hard I just had to
stand there. In a few
minutes Perry came off a
train and wouldn't hear
of staying all night
so we started and
what a trip. Trees
falling, and streets
flooded, we had to
detour and wind our
way in and out. A
man at Smithtown
where we stopped for
gas and to try and

phone, told us we would
never make it, that
there were hundreds of
trees down but we went
on. We couldn't buy gas
as the electricity was
off so we watched for a
hand pump. We made it
in 4 1/2 hrs to Amagawett
and they had to cut the
trees to let us by, those
beautiful big trees lay
flat right across the
road from one side to
the other, roofs off,
mud on hokee, poles and
nices dangling, it was
just like heading
into a forest. At first we
thought we wouldn't
get thru E.H. but I

happened to remember a
little house with no trees
Perry could hardly see for
rain mud & leaves but
finally got there. At Amagansett
they told us we could never
make Montauk, there was
over 3ft of water on road.
The Kelseys fed us and we
tried it but had to back
up and turn. We met
up with Dick Lelundtine
stranded there and a
few others. We all waited
a while, then Perry went
out again and met
the telephone man. He
said that Montauk
was about wiped out
with the injured &

~~was~~ dead at the manor so
Perry met I again and
got a rubber ~~tractor~~
tractor and a doctor
and finally got here.
He came here first to see
about Jane and she was
OK with about 50-75-
refugees here in the
house all over the floors
and everything soaking.
The rest of beach people
were at the hotel. Perry
left me the Oldsmobile so
I started out at daybreak
after sitting up all night.

Ella Barbus is completely
gone, excepting the little
office. The help had to
swim for aid across
those dunes and it

~~too~~ dead at the manor so
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Elia Barbus is completely
gone, excepting the little
office. The help had to
swim for aid across
those dunes and it

went down like a card
board box.

you just can't imagine
the damage. Scribner &
Claude Burrows are missing
Dan Parsons men were
missing for 2 days and
nights but returned and
everyone wept as they came
in. When I first walked
up to Perry he just stood
there with the tears
rolling, it didn't seem
as if it could be true.
The ice houses are completely
gone, the store badly damaged
One of Sweeney's truck was
stuck between the
fish house and store
and a boat squeezed
it as it leaped by

and met right thru
the store mudm. The
fish market looked
awful but they are
getting it organized. The
lobster tanks were up on
road near our old
strip. We lost about
\$25.00.00 wt of lobsters
& C Bass I think. Some of
our fish boxes were picked
up on Black Island.
Your place, Alice Paon
Buanis, Tutthell, etc,
were all thru right
across the pond and
are near Syretsen,
that is what is left.
There is nothing
between us & Dan Paon

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up on Black Island.
Your place, Alice Paon
Guani, Tutthell, etc,
were all thru right
across the pond and
are near Syretsen,
that is what is left.
There is nothing
between us & Davis Farms

and the water had
broken thru. There
wasnt even a road,
just a jungle and
everyone homeless from
here to fish pier, so
you can imagine it.
Perry got to work and
had the Annex of hotel
opened up and every
one housed there. We
had clothing, shoes
& etc sent out and
donated, and opened
a canteen at the
Union News. The Red
Cross have finally
arrived and are

located. What they
will do to rehabilitate
remain to be seen. So
many men have lost
their boats, and many
are badly damaged.
The Knathy went
ashore in Lake but
not badly damaged.

Perry telegraphed all
the letters of the alphabet
and we have N. Y. A.
P. W. P. - WPA - mosquito
elimination - Red Cross
Tenn & County - R. F. C.
D. R. A. Perry Disaster Loan
at his command. He
already has most

of the houses back in
place excepting your folks
across the pond and
roadway in fair shape.
and served notice on
"Inchell" attorney that
mortgage must have to
be reduced or we
must re-build. They
can take another
\$5000.00 off.

a friend of Pung's brought
a gasoline motor down
and attached it to our
water pump so we have
water & Pung had it
analyzed and it's O.K.
we still have no lights
but now have a phone

up and there it seems
hopeless but guess we will
end up somehow. This
disaster loan business
is a 3%-affair and it
covers a period of twelve
years or so, with not
much security. We
appreciate all you offer
it's grand but there will
be a way without borrowing
on insurance I'm sure.
I guess it means instead
of retiring, I'll have to
work when I huddle with
a crutch. The "Skipper"
is high and dry but
O.K. over by Segals and

the sail boat is down
by Addies shop. not bad.

I'll have to close
we are moving our
clothing headquarters
and getting re-organized
The Red Cross is making
work on county investigation
I'm letting Alice go Saturday
So have to quit too
much outside work.

Love to all, it was
good to hear your
voice.

I am enclosing Jayelle's letter
so you can read about Aunt
Em. Dear it up. Love Jane

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HURRICANE MEMORIAL BOOKLET

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Main Street To Rise Again!

The sun rose this morning on the saddest sight East Hampton has ever seen. It seemed at first glance that hardly a tree was left on Main Street. Business places were crushed in; fine old houses had roofs crumpled by toppling elms. A dead calm reigned; all life seemed to have left our busiest street, early this morning. We know now how the Southern people feel after a hurricane has passed.

The oldest inhabitant remembers nothing like the storm of yesterday afternoon, September 21, 1938, will go down in East Hampton history.

Only yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, a meeting was scheduled for Village Improvement Society members, to try to figure out some way to spend the usual amount on our trees next year, and still take care of our beautiful greens—after less than usual was cleared at the Village Fair. What the Society's problems must seem, this morning, it is hard to imagine.

But we do not believe that even the loss of all these magnificent elms will rob East Hampton of its beauty. If we know East Hampton, this disaster will spur us on to even greater pride in our trees and greens. The old saying that you never miss them till they're gone is very true today.

Main Street will rise again!

TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH OPERATORS GIVE FINE SERVICE

Telephone operators performed a valiant service during the hurricane, under supervision of Mrs. Clarence Payne. Even those off duty at the time braved the terrors of the storm to get to the office, knowing they would be needed. Robert McGarva looked after the wires here and at Amagansett, H. Lewis Edwards remained on duty day and night at the Montauk Central. Five hundred and twenty-seven phones were put out of commission, but those that survived were worked overtime.

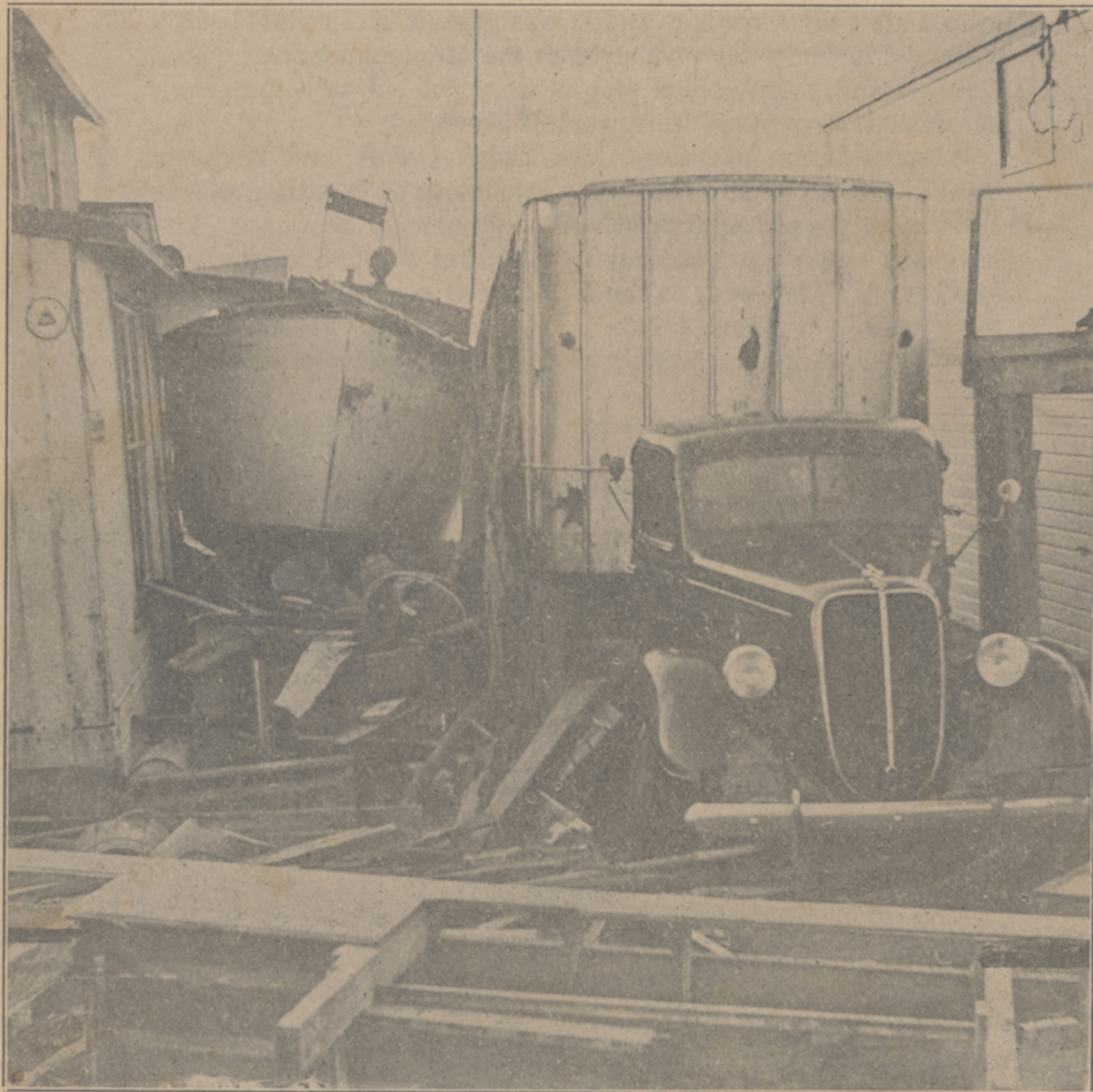
Western Union operators, Mrs. Isabel Olenik and Seymour Dunkirk averaged 20 hours daily for five days, handling nearly 1,000 messages as frantic relatives sought news of dear ones. The telegraph operators commented: "Gee, but the public has been swell to us. They sent us food, delivered messages for us, and were very, very considerate." Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Easer scramble dthrough impassable roads to deliver the messages.

Beached



One of the larger boats washed up on the beach at Montauk.

Truck and Boat Park Side by Side



This strange sight was seen at Perry B. Duryea's dock, Montauk, where the hurricane had beached a boat between one of the buildings and a huge fish truck.

IN MEMORIAM

WESTHAMPTON BEACH

Mrs. James L. Pinks
 Carl E. Dalim
 Selma Dalim (Mrs. Carl E.)
 Lena Jenkins, colored
 Mrs. John L. King
 Anna Seeley, colored
 Mrs. Mary Ann Flagg
 Mrs. Leo Foley
 Mrs. C. W. Schlater
 Mrs. Warren Lewis
 Warren Lewis
 Carolyn Bragaw
 Mrs. Catherine Bragaw
 Alberta R. Williams, colored
 Catherine Mudford
 Mrs. E. P. Lea
 Mrs. J. Francis O'Brien
 Beulah Bailey
 Peggy Brown
 Mrs. William Jarvis
 George Mansfield
 Payson Stone Douglas
 Agnes Clellan
 Robert Melvin, colored

QUOGUE

Thomas Fay
 Charles Lomas Jr.

EASTPORT

Marshall Hawkins
 Oliver Raynor

SOUTHAMPTON

Mrs. Florence Lee Hunter, colored
 Mrs. Della Lee Johnson, colored

EAST HAMPTON

Samuel Edwards
 Dominic Grace

BRIDGEHAMPTON

Alex James

SOUTHOLD

Emmett Young

AMAGANSETT

Six of crew of Steamer Ocean View
 Roy P. Griffin, pilot
 Kermit Forcett, Engineer
 Samuel Coleman, colored
 Elton Smith, colored
 Jesse Hodge, colored
 David Starvi, colored

STILL UNREPORTED

(October 1, 1938)

EAST HAMPTON

Gilbert Edwards
 Herbert Field
 Vivian Smith
 (Who were fishing with Samuel Edwards, whose body was found).
 Seth Scribner
 Claude Burrows
 (Who were lost out of Montauk)

MONTAUK

Wm. L. Lathrop, of New Hope, missing from his boat.
 —
 7 at Westhampton
 2 at Montauk, unidentified seen to have jumped from a boat Lake Montauk.

SYMPATHY!

We wish to express our deepest sympathy for those bereaved in last week's hurricane. East Hampton wives and children have been left without husbands and fathers; tragedy has visited our sister communities. Property damage can be made up in time. Beauty will be restored to us. But human life lost can never be restored.

Especially tragic is the storm-torn community of Westhampton Beach. Our fellow-editor, John L. King of the Hampton Chronicle, lost his wife when the tidal wave engulfed their home.

We are sorrowful. But we need not be bitter. The disaster of last week Wednesday does not seem comparable with the losses incurred in war. We, who are old enough to remember the high hearts that went into the last war, and the futility of it all, know that war loss is a bitter thing. The cloud that looms over the world today is far worse than that which menaced our peaceful homes last week. Man's cruelty to man is far worse than anything Nature can do to us.

Hurricane Takes Heavy Toll Here; Beach Homes Damaged as Many Flee for Lives; All of Long Island Is Hit

The 100-mile-an-hour hurricane which lashed the Atlantic seaboard from Cape Hatteras through New England, struck eastern Long Island with full force on September 21, taking a heavy toll of lives and causing damage far into the millions. From Westhampton to Montauk Point the lashing fury ripped and tore at everything in its path, inflicting heavy damage upon substantial dupe estates and reducing beach cabanas and frame buildings to kindlingwood. At Westhampton Beach, the summer colony and village were practically wiped out, with terrible loss of life. Southampton lost two lives and dune houses were destroyed. At East Hampton, the ocean joined Georgica Pond, Lily Pond, and Hook Pond, flooding homes in those areas. The public bathing beach and Sea Spray Inn were damaged, but will be repaired;

Sightly Tree at Maidstone Arms Falls and Causes Damage



One of Main Street's most beautiful elms was lost when this one crashed against the Maidstone Arms, causing damage to the roof, second floor and front porch.

\$75,000 worth of cabanas were lost at the Maidstone Club and the West Golf course, costing \$200,000 ruined. Amagansett's bathing pavilion was swept completely away; also cabanas at the Surf Club, Montauk.

One of the worst disasters to hit the Long Island fishing industry came with the loss of the Smith Meal Company's bunker steamer "Ocean View," sailing out of Promised Land (Amagansett). Sixteen of the crew of 20 were saved, including the captain. The "Ocean View," with the "Robert E," owned by Edwards Bros., with Captain H. N. Edwards Jr., were attempting to make the Connecticut shore when hit by the full force of the hurricane. The "Ocean View" foundered quickly and Capt. Edwards thought that the "Robert E" would also go. He was making two knots and decided to try to make the New Haven harbor. The "Robert E" sailed past the New Haven breakwater, which was under water, and was unable to tie up to the dock there. He beached it on the mud flats and the next morning (Thursday) was afloat. He returned to Promised Land Thursday afternoon.

Capt. William Smith, of Fairport, Va., was saved. The six men drowned from the Ocean View were: Roy Griffin of Shelter Island, pilot; Chief Engineer Kermit Forsett, of Round Pound, Me.; Samuel Coleman, 2nd engineer, of Weems, Va.; Elton Smith, Weems, Va.; David Starvi, of Lillian, Va.; Jesse Hodge, of Weems, Va.

Seth Scribner, brother of Fred H. Scribner, jeweler, of East Hampton and Southampton, is still reported missing, with Claude Burrows. The two men left Montauk early Wednesday to fish, with Scribner's boat. Unconfirmed reports say that Scribner's dory was washed up at Montauk.

Main Street Home of Mrs. Charles E. Kimball Damaged



Part of the roof as shown above was ripped away by a crashing tree. Mrs. Kimball and her children had closed the house on the day before.

8 DEAD, 8 MISSING HURRICANE TOLL OF EAST HAMPTON

Westhampton Has 30 Identified Dead and 8 Persons Missing

Eastern Long Island is trying this week to forget the horrors of the hurricane havoc which swept through Long Island and across Long Island Sound to New England last Wednesday and claimed a possible sixteen lives in East Hampton township—eight known dead, and eight others missing, with hope fading fast. Westhampton, hardest hit of any Long Island community, has thirty identified bodies and another eight missing of those who were swept by the swirling seas. Only one East Hampton man, Dominick Grace, died of injuries ashore, the others were claimed by the sea. Samuel Edwards' body drifted in at Block Island and his brother, Gilbert Edwards, Herbert Field and Vivian Smith are unreported. Seth Scribner and Claude Burrows, who were trying to save Scribner's boat in Fort Pond Bay as the hurricane hit Montauk, are also feared for. No trace has been found of them or the boat. Six known dead from the Smith Meal Company's menhaden steamer, Ocean View, which foundered near Faulkner's Island, are Roy Griffin, pilot, Shelter Island; Chief Engineer Kermit Forsett, of Round Pound, Me.; Second Engineer Samuel Coleman, of Weems, Va.; Elton Smith and Jesse Hodge, also of Weems, Va., and David Starvi, of Lillian, Va.

It was a strong fight and a game fight which all of these men must have put up against the raging hurricane, with seas of tidal-wave proportions, but it was Man against the Elements—and man lost. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved families. Property loss is something that can always be replaced in some manner or other but human lives cannot be brought back.

William Lathrop, 80, of New Hope, Pa., retired, who had spent several summers at Montauk on his boat and who did a great deal of painting in

Main Street House Hit



Residence of the late Miss Ella Osborne, where large and beautiful tree crashed.

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8 DEAD, 8 MISSING HURRICANE TOLL OF EAST HAMPTON

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the vicinity of Montauk, is thought to have been lost in the hurricane. He was last seen on his boat "Widge" at Lake Montauk shortly before the hurricane, but no trace has been found of his body. Coast Guardsmen have dragged Lake Montauk for his body and also the bodies of two unidentified men who were seen to have leaped from a moored boat.

Emerson Taber was not lost, as rumored last week, but made a safe return to Montauk. Charles Landry and Wilfred Fougere, Joseph Guyette and Cleveland Noels on the "Ruth R." also returned safely to Montauk after a terrible night spent drifting to Block Island. It was feared at first, when no word was heard of them, that they had been lost.

Many of East Hampton's dune houses suffered by the heavy seas, with houses and interior furnishings damaged. From Georgica to the Maidstone Club the damage was general, with many of the club cabanas washed away, the Amagansett bathing beach destroyed and the Montauk Surf Club's cabanas badly battered. The Barbour Restaurant and Surf Club at Beach Hampton was demolished, but will be rebuilt next year according to R. B. Allen, developer of Beach Hampton. The Allen office on the dunes there is intact, while the houses there weathered the storm with only minor damage. Roads there were badly washed out.

The hurricane had hardly passed before workmen were at work making emergency repairs, while roads were quickly cleared by crews working under the town and village highway departments. Branches and small limbs have been carted to the beach banks to fill in and help build up the dunes.

Mud and water came up to the windowsills, in Forrest Hulse's house and Le Roy King's, on Egypt Lane. Turtles and fish came along with it. Egypt Green has a pond in it. The beautiful willows on Hunting and Egypt Lanes are down; and Mrs. Ruger Donoho's garden is sadly torn, great trees lying on it.

One of Oldest Houses in Village Smashed



This house, formerly occupied by Mrs. W. F. E. White and the late Mr. White, was one of East Hampton's oldest houses. Unsuccessful efforts to raise the tree were made on Tuesday but abandoned.

Giant Trees Uprooted on Main Street, Amagansett



Trees Demolished in Front of Miss Ethel Baker's Residence



GROUPS HERE TO PLAN MAIN STREET REHABILITATION

A committee is being formed to discuss the rehabilitation of our Main Street. A small meeting, at which Mayor Judson Banister, the heads of local organizations, and members of the Ladies' Village Improvement Society's Tree Committee, will be present, will meet this afternoon at 5 o'clock in Guild Hall, to formulate a plan. A. Wallace Chauncey, president of the Maidstone Club, is acting chairman of the committee.

Our Main Street IS East Hampton. Its beauty means more to us who live here the year round, than it does to summer visitors; for after all, they can go somewhere else. Old and young will want to join in this movement to save Main Street. Its restoration must be expertly planned, and carried out as quickly as possible after that.

Today, The Star is asked to give three messages to the public, messages that cannot wait for next week and a report on this afternoon's meeting:

1. Please do not be too hasty about uprooting stumps, where trees are broken off. A stump may bud out in the spring, and look better than you dream possible.

2. Do preserve your picket fences, no matter how badly damaged. Next to trees, our picket fences have given East Hampton an air of distinction. Don't throw your fences on the woodpile, but spend what time you can this winter in repairing or re-building them.

3. Everyone is asked to let the L. V. I. S. Tree Committee (Mrs. W. Sterling Peters and Mrs. J. W. Hand, co-chairmen) know where any elms are available in this locality. Trees from away are not wanted, as eastern Long Island is free from Dutch elm disease, prevalent in other localities. Anyone wishing to donate a tree may communicate with the Tree Committee.

Ross Fanning lost his side porch. Norman Barns' fine old Colonial house bore the weight of two great elms on its roof, causing so much damage that the family had to move out at once.

Session House Cupola Topples



The hurricane played no favorites for it hit the Presbyterian Session House with such force that the cupola was dashed to the ground.

East Hampton's beloved "Home, Sweet Home" came through the storm practically unharmed; also its twin, the 17th century John Henry Mulford house next door. Other famous buildings grouped about the Village Green to escape with only minor damage are Guild Hall, the East Hampton Free Library, and historic Clinton Academy.

Churches in this vicinity suffered more than other public buildings. St. Philomena's Roman Catholic Church here lost its steeple; so did the Presbyterian Session House. Southampton's fashionable St. Andrew's Dune Church has one wall standing; a wreck. The beautiful Whalers' Presbyterian Church, built in the 1840's, lost its graceful spire; Amagansett's Presbyterian Church suffered the same fate.

East Hampton's historic windmills are safe; minor injuries can be repaired; three are here, one is on the Lathrop Brown place on Montauk. The old mill at Water Mill is demolished.

Trees Fall in Front of The Guild Hall



Main Street lost several of its most beautiful elms when those in front of the Guild Hall were ripped by the hurricane.

Water Plant is Damaged



The hurricane blew the roof off the Home Water Company's engine room and caused great damage there.

Trees Damage Roof of East Hampton Library



The wreckage was soon cleared away from in front of the library and business as usual was the slogan there on the day after the disaster.

Beach Hampton



R. B. Allen Corp. office at Beach Hampton was intact after the storm.

Barbour Restaurant



All that remained of the Barbour Restaurant, Beach Hampton, after the hurricane.

Small Boats Damaged At Three Mile Harbor

Small boats bore the brunt of the hurricane's force at Three Mile Harbor. They were swept up on the beaches by the score. At Three Mile Harbor like the rest of the Township, hundreds of trees were toppled over and destroyed.

The private dock owned by Dr. Dudley Roberts suffered damages when the fill adjoining the shore was washed out. Other than the loss of a few spiles that is the extent of the damages.

The "Liela T.," owned by John Howard was blown on the beach. The "Kema," owned by Mayor Judson Banister also blew ashore. It is reported that several small boats were swept out through the gutway and lost.

The boats in the shipyards of

GARDINER'S ISLAND

Capt. Samuel Edwards of the yacht Montauk returned from Gardiner's Island this morning and reported that all the men there are safe. The barns and stables have been blown down and the roof on the old Manor House is off. The tree destruction is about the same as East Hampton and Amagansett.

Harry Wessberg and Stephen A. Palmer suffered little damage. The greatest damage was the loss of trees on the properties. At Halsey's Marina private yachts weathered the storm safely. One of the small docks was torn out by the flood and wind. A number of trees are blown down.

Up in the head of the harbor the boats seemed to weather the hurricane without strain, with the exception of the Cairn Hill owned by Phillip Ruxton, which blew ashore.

MONTAUK BOATS ASHORE

At Montauk Lake twenty-nine fishing boats were blown ashore by the hurricane. These represent boats of all sizes and value. Some being worth as much as \$25,000. It is estimated that the average value of the boats blown up is \$5,000. With the boats laying from a hundred to three hundred feet up on the beach, the task of launching them is tremendous.

The gas dock in the entrance to the lake, managed by Sam Joyce, is completely demolished, including buildings. At the yacht club several boats are sunk alongside the dock. A few boats anchored up by the bridge weathered the hurricane safely.

The Long Island Railroad's fishing excursions are expected to resume today, after only one week's interruption from the storm.

Trees Uprooted in Front of Star Office



The Hand Building barely escaped damage when the huge tree on left was blown over, ripping up the sidewalk and leaving a large hole at the entrance to The Star Office.

FEDERAL RELIEF RUSHED TO AID MONTAUK NEEDY

Following an appeal from Supervisor Perry B. Duryea of East Hampton, relief supplies were rushed to Montauk from Brooklyn Bay Shore, where Commissioner of Welfare Irving Williams arranged to have fresh vegetables shipped from the county farm.

A truckload of meat and vegetables, a two weeks' food supply for needy persons at Montauk, was rushed out. A feeding station was set up in the Union News Company building, Montauk, and those in need are being fed.

Wednesday night fishermen and their families were housed at Montauk Manor. A group of 152 were housed there. Last night, Thursday, the Manor's annex was opened, and light and heat were available there.

Mrs. Gunnar Strandberg, whose husband is employed at the Willard restaurant, was at the time of the hurricane, helping her husband put boards over the restaurant's windows. Unable to get back to her home in the fishing village until after the storm, she was worried over the safety of a two-year-old baby. When she found the child safe, there were three other houses standing against her own, and an automobile crashed through the wall of her dining room.

Gene McGovern, Montauk fisherman, entered the post office to get mail. The wind and tide came so suddenly that he was unable to leave. As the building started to move, he kicked the window out of the rear of the building to escape. The building was carried 400 feet away.

Mrs. Edwin Tuthill, living at the edge of Tuthill's pond, was an eyewitness to the sight of fishermen's houses being carried along the beach and into the pond. She saw a woman with a baby in her arms floating before the tidal wave. When the hurricane reached its zenith, she was forced to abandon her home and seek the safety of the house of Supervisor Perry Duryea,

Post Office Building is Hit



This huge tree fell across the driveway against the Barns Building on Newtown Lane. The post office on the Main floor and town offices on the second floor were damaged.

COAST GUARD AIDS RESIDENTS OF BEACH HOMES

At the Georgica Coast Guard Station on Apaquogue Road, Captain Warren Barnes was away for a day's leave, and First Mate William d'Romtra was in charge. He and his men did a fine piece of work. The basement of the Coast Guard Station was washed out, smaller buildings and the boathouse destroyed, but the Coast Guardsmen set right out for all the houses along the dunes, notifying occupants to leave at once, and giving aid.

It was erroneously reported over Station WOR last night that James Mullens, caretaker for Juan Trippe, lost his life. Mullins and his wife and three other employees there were brought by boat through the flooded area from the Trippe house, to Phelan Beale's.

The water from the ocean overran banks and sluiced through roadways, joining in with Lily Pond, Hook Pond and Georgica. The ponds overflowed. Boats were commandeered by Coast Guard and Fire Department, people in Egypt Lane were taken out.

Theatre Patrons Orderly While Hurricane Rages

Manager Fred Grimshaw of the local Theatre reports that the crowd attending the movies in the afternoon of the hurricane was very orderly in view of the circumstances. When the power went off and it was found that the chances of getting it on again were very slim, the crowd began to leave. They had their money refunded at the box office. It was necessary for the police department to assist them across the street to safety as the letters on the theatre signs were beginning to drop. Trees in front of the theatre were swaying madly, threatening to fall any moment.

A small boathouse in the Edwards lot opposite Captain Gabriel Edwards' at Amagansett was torn to splinters, with a sharpie sitting on top of the pile. Barns and outhouses at Capt. Edwards' were down. Further along the bluff there, Miss Ella Edwards' barn was ripped almost to pieces.

Georgica Coast Guard Station



Chief Bos'n Mate Warren Barnes and crew of the Georgica Station repairing the damage around the lookout tower.

Aids in Work



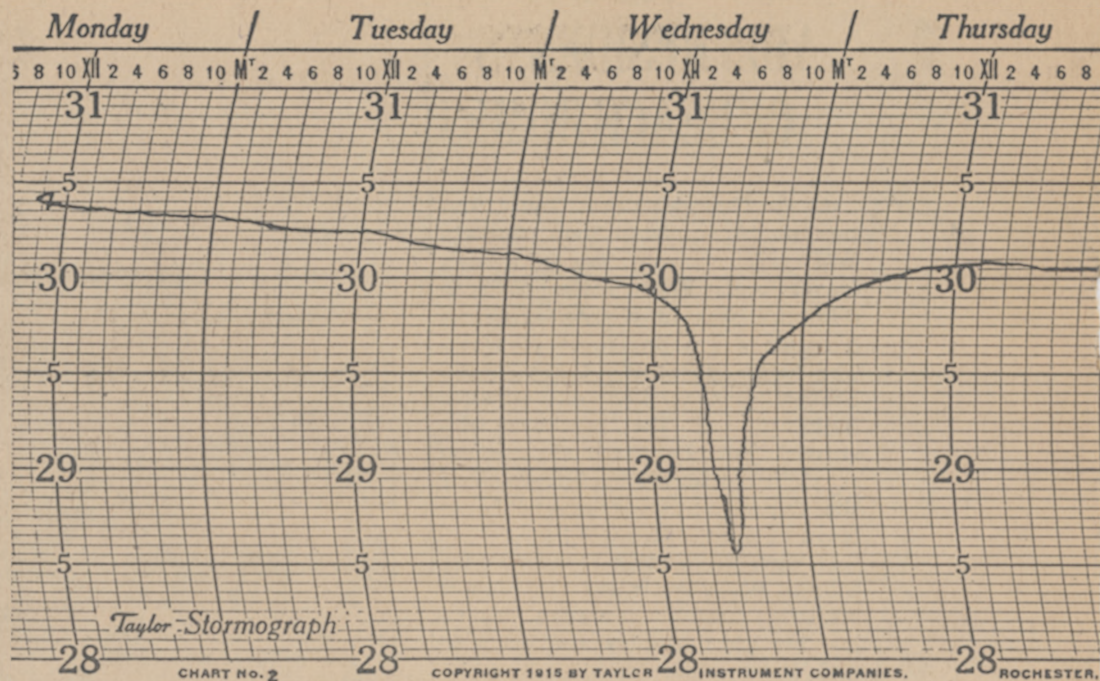
Mayor Judson L. Banister of East Hampton was eager to assist at the time of the disaster and gave his personal attention to the cleaning up of trees and wreckage in East Hampton. The perfect functioning of all village departments aided materially in East Hampton's time crisis.

One of the seine boats from the bunker steamer Ocean View has been picked up back of Orient Point.

12% of Main Street Elms Downed By Hurricane

A survey made by The Star, to check on the number of trees damaged on Main Street reveals that from the Hedges Inn on the east side of Main Street to the Methodist parsonage, there are sixty-eight trees down and ninety-one standing. Only trees that are outside private property lines, or just on the line were counted, and only trees that were at least six inches through at the butt. On the west side from Woods Lane to Doctor David Edwards' house there are ninety-six trees standing and seventy-one down. This count includes the trees bordering on Town Pond, and around the Memorial Green from a line drawn between the Methodist Parsonage and Dr. David Edwards' house.

BAROGRAPH'S GRIM RECORD OF THE



Above is the actual record of a barometer from Monday, September 19, to Sunday, September 20, to The Star Office by Doctor Arthur H. Terry of New York and East Hampton. Close observe his life on the day of the hurricane, because he was contemplating a trip to Gardiner's Island and remained at home.

It will be noticed that on Monday at noon the graph shows the pressure to be 30.40. On Tuesday, until at noontime Wednesday, the day of the hurricane, with the pressure at 29.9. Close study will show that the recording stylus during the rapid drop in pressure, and while rising, left a wavy imprint like that of a seismograph recording an earthquake.

FIREMEN GIVE STRICKEN AREA FINE SERVICE

Chief Marley and Staff Had Firemen on Duty Day and Night

From 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the day of the hurricane, until Saturday night, three days later, the East Hampton Fire Department was a very busy and efficient organization. Under the direction of Chief S. L. Marley and his assistant chiefs the department functioned with the precision of a fine watch.

One of the first moves made by Chief Marley on realizing that an emergency was at hand, was to call all firemen to the firehouse immediately. The response was 100 per cent, the men answering down to the last man. As a precaution nine extra men not firemen were enlisted for duty.

The fire department co-operating with the police department handled all emergency calls, due to the fact that the police phone went out of order almost immediately.

During the height of the hurricane over eighty calls were answered, coming from people that were in distress, or badly frightened. Transportation was furnished by firemen using their own cars.

At about 5 o'clock Wednesday evening twenty-five children were rescued from the Dr. Carlson school for crippled children. Boats were used in the rescue. Nine people from houses at the end of Hunting and Egypt Lanes were also rescued. The children were taken to the houses of Dr. Louis Faugeres Bishop Jr., and Mrs. Howard Franklin Beebe, where they spent the night.

A crew of men under the direction of Assistant Chief William Conrad, went to work at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening to open up the road to the Sea Spray Inn. Other important roads were cleared by this crew.

A crew of firemen under the leadership of Assistant Chief Al Garrow answered an emergency call at the home of John Cole, fighting their way against wind and water,

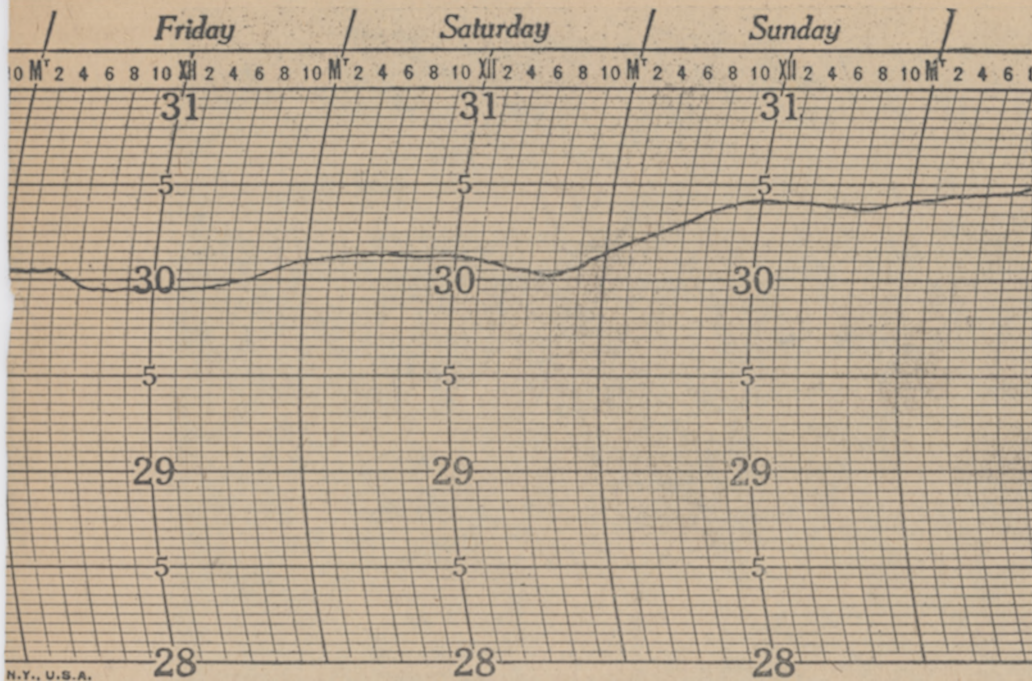
arriving they found the Guard had been successful in the rescue. They attempted to get assistance of Juan T. Trip.

Leonard Bauer, company No. 1, was in charge who volunteered to go for the crew of the "and Joyce." After cutting through fallen trees a wind-swept area of with their captain offering from exposure of food, under an over Old House Landing, of Sammis beach.

A crew in charge of lin assisted the Light in an effort to get the Water Company, they trying on a search for locating broken water. Friday night called out of bed from a Long Island engine in need of water station.

Besides taking care of tasks like those the department maintained all through the night cane in the areas of gas mains, in these

THE LONG ISLAND HURRICANE



September 25. This important record was brought to the attention of Dr. Terry of his glass saved in his boat. He immediately changed his plans.

A gradual drop in pressure is recorded through the day, and at 6 o'clock it had dropped to a low of 28.55. It was then climbing back to 29.70 by 10 o'clock in the eve-

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of Arthur Conkling Company current to the men then called day Thursday, after mains. Chief Marley was to answer a call Railroad work was down at the

are of hundreds mentioned above, contained a patrol of the hurricane containing broken areas the light-

ing of fires and smoking were prohibited.

Until water was obtained the firemen were on duty at the firehouse in case of the sudden outbreak of fire.

POLICE GIVE FINE SERVICE

Chief of Police Francis Leddy demonstrated during yesterday's emergency that the department was equal to any occasion. The entire department efficiently policed the village, and with great coolness and dispatch aided many persons in difficulty.

Among the many problems confronting the department was the maintenance of traffic as soon as highways could be opened, safeguarding the lives of people caught in the hurricane and escorting them home, checking and tracking down reports concerning missing persons, and those thought to have been missed. All through the afternoon and night the department acted as a clearing house for information.

The old Cartwright house on Amagansett's Main Street, of the same vintage as "Home, Sweet Home," is done for, by appearances.

Churches Pay Tribute To Hurricane Dead

All of East Hampton's churches made special prayers and references to the catastrophe of last week Wednesday, in their Sunday services, which were held as usual. Rev. Florence Crowley is planning to hold a special mass of thanksgiving in the near future at Montauk, for lives that were spared. At the Methodist Church here, Rev. W. G. Aldridge preached on the hurricane on Sunday evening. Mr. Aldridge was very much touched to find that on Saturday young people of the church had cleared away debris of their own accord, and Sunday morning Sunday School pupils brought \$12 to help pay for the stained-glass windows broken in the storm. At Guild Hall, the Sunday afternoon hymn-singing went on as scheduled. At St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and at the First Presbyterian Church, special mention was made of the disaster and special prayers were said.

On Friday, the Philip James house on the beach at Amagansett was still cut off by water in the roadways, so that the full extent of damage could not be judged. The windmill was lying on the ground; the porch was off. Smaller cottages beside the road on that part of the beach were sitting deep in water, or overturned.

Appeals for Aid



Supervisor Perry B. Duryea left New York yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to drive to East Hampton and Montauk, where he arrived at 9 P. M. On behalf of the stricken population there, practically all of the residents of the fishing village losing their homes and belongings, he sent an urgent appeal to the American Red Cross and federal relief agencies. The following appeal from Supervisor Duryea was sent to WOR, and broadcast last night: "Montauk fishing village practically destroyed. Number of boats lost. Residences destroyed. Several lives lost and missing. No water, light or phone connections. Fishing industry wiped out. Immediate aid necessary."

WASHOUTS ON L. I. R. R.

Train and mail service here were interrupted by two washouts on the Long Island Railroad tracks. On Wednesday, the 3 o'clock westbound train was the last to leave or arrive. The ocean swept over Napeague Beach, making Montauk an island, and undermining the tracks there. Near Westhampton, the rails were also washed out. Buses were pressed into service to take passengers to Speonk. When the train went through to Montauk on Saturday, it carried twenty tons of mail destined for stricken New London, Conn. Captain Herbert N. Edwards of Amagansett ferried over the mail on the Mary A.

Completely Flooded



Lily Pond Lane near the Georgica Coast Guard Station was completely flooded when this photo was taken.

LOSS OF 6 MEN ON "OCEAN VIEW" TOLD BY SURVIVORS OF STEAMER

Officers and crew of the fishing steamer Ocean View, owned by the Smith Meal Company of Promised Land, which went down in Long Island Sound on Wednesday afternoon of last week, told a harrowing story of their experiences. Captain Wm. Smith of Fairport, Va., was saved. Six men were lost: Roy Griffin of Shelter Island, N. Y.; Chief Engineer Kermit Forsett of Found Pond, Me.; Samuel Coleman, 2nd engineer, of Weems, Va.; Elton Smith of Weems, Va.; David Starvi of Lillian, Va.; and Jesse Hodge of Weems, Va.

The Ocean View's loss is thought to be due to the breaking of her crankshaft in the storm. She was making for Promised Land with 125,000 fish on board; and kept going east in the teeth of the storm until about 3:30. They saw Plum Gut, and wanted to beach the boat on Long Island. The doors were torn off the engine room; everything

was adrift. With the engine disabled, the boat was out of control. The seine boats unhooked themselves; somehow the men got into them. Sixteen members of the colored crew got into one boat, and almost made shore safely. A great sea took them right over a concrete sea-wall, boat and all, near Madison, Conn., but one man was crushed on the concrete. The boat from which Roy Griffin and four members of the crew were lost swamped in about ten minutes after it was launched, and the survivors were in the water until 11 o'clock that night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Wallace Chauncey were in their newly built summer home on Apaquogue Road in the hurricane. A foot of water covered the floors in the Main house, and three feet in the annex; the pond came up until water stood nine feet deep in their garden.

School Children Calm When Hurricane Hit

The East Hampton High School, where over 700 children were at their lessons when the storm broke, was besieged with telephone calls from frantic parents as long as the telephone wires held out; but few were able to reach there to take their children home until the force of the wind had abated. The faculty insisted upon the children remaining in the building, unless accompanied out into the storm by a responsible adult. There was no panic.

Thirty-five persons aboard the Port Jefferson-Bridgeport ferry, Park City, spent a nerve-wracking 17 hours in Long Island Sound as a result of the storm. The boat left Port Jefferson at 2 A. M. Wednesday and was not seen again until 6:45 P. M., when it was sighted four miles off Belle Terre, then it was not seen again until 7 A. M. Thursday, when it was sighted in about the same spot, where the captain had ridden out the hurricane.

Gardiner's White House on Main Street



One of the saddest sights was the wreckage done in front of the residence of the late J. T. Gardiner.

LANDRY AND 3 OTHERS IN PARSONS' SLOOP BATTLE HURRICANE TO PORT

It was with tears streaming down his cheeks that Captain Dan Parsons heard the news that his boat "Ruth R." was on its way in, rounding Culloden Point. For forty-eight hours the well-known Montauk fishermen, who lives in East Hampton, had been keeping a watch for his boat, the "Ruth R." with four men on board, that was swept out to sea during the hurricane. Captain Charles Landry, who had been working for Captain Dan Parsons for eighteen years had on board with him Cleveland Noels, Wilfred Fougere and Joseph Guyetche, crew.

Haggard and worn by the strain of sleepless nights while waiting for news of the missing men, Capt. Dan couldn't believe the news, when informed by State Trooper William Brockman that his boat had been sighted. It was not until he had been assured by his wife that such was the case that he was reassured.

He said later that he felt that his eyes were playing tricks on him and

not until he threw his arms around Captain Landry, was he convinced of the men's safe return. Considering the number of boats lost during the hurricane, it is nothing short of a miracle that these men were able to survive that storm on the open sea in all its fury.

On Wednesday, the day the hurricane struck, the crew of the "Ruth R." was off Culloden Point working on a fish trap. As the wind increased in the afternoon Captain Landry on board the sloop signaled for the men who were each working in a separate "trap boat" to come aboard. Before the men could get to the sloop the wind increased with such fury that Cleveland Noels' boat capsized. Swimming to a stake a hundred yards away, he clung to it while Fougere and Guyetche battled in an attempt to reach him, against a wind that by then had reached hurricane proportions. The two men were forced to row ashore and bail out the water in their boat before they could reach Noels to

pick him up. Gaining the side of the sloop the men leaped on board, making fast the painter.

The wind immediately smashed the surviving boat against the sea leaving the crew without small boats.

With full power on in an attempt to fight the fury of the hurricane, combined with a rushing flood tide, the big sloop was forced over to Gardiner's Island. Driving rain, accompanied by shrieking wind, made it impossible to see a boat length ahead. Standing on deck was an impossibility. When the island was neared they managed to anchor. Almost instantly the wind shifted, snapping the cables of both anchors. Unable to start the engine the men were drifting with the full force of the hurricane in a general direction of Block Island. Not leaking, but taking aboard hundreds of gallons of rain water, the crew were pumping continuously all night to keep afloat.

The "Ruth R.," 41 feet long, 16 foot beam, and drawing 6 feet of water, was built by Percy Tuthill of Greenport, twenty-nine years ago. A 12x16 inch keel and 4x6 timbers made her one of the most substantially built boats at Montauk.



At Beach Hampton this truck was overturned and drivers escaped with their lives before the on-rushing seas.

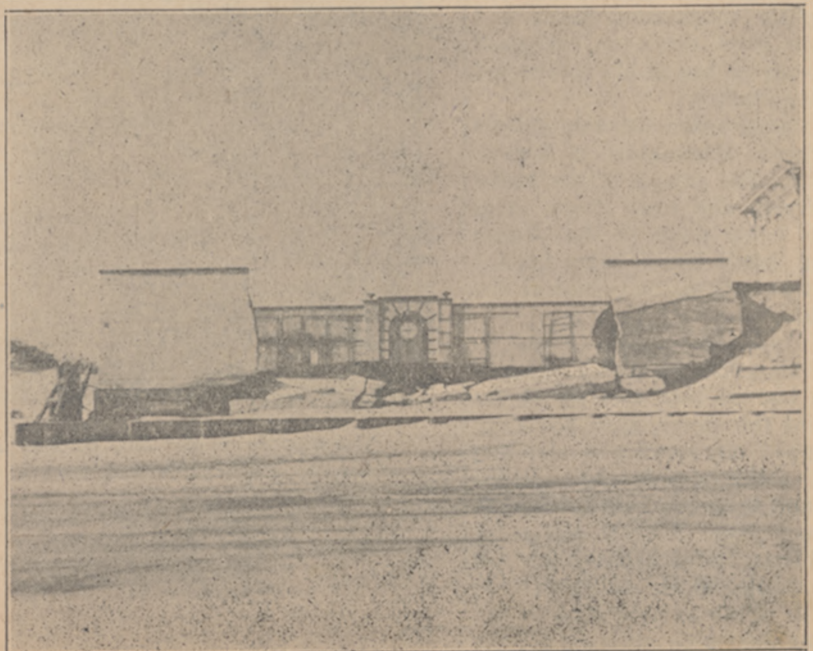
Side view of the Wainwright house on the dunes, East Hampton.



Hurricane Wreckage At
Wainwright's "Gull Crest"
on the dunes



This graceful statue was all that remained of the beautiful sunken garden on the dunes at Gull Crest, estate of Carroll Wainwright.



The Carroll Wainwright garden, which he designed and had built about 10 years ago, ravished by the hurricane.

Sag Harbor Badly Hit

Much property damage was caused by the hurricane at Sag Harbor. Early in the evening the lights were cut off, thereby threatening the village with a water shortage, which was averted by the fire department pumping water into the main tank from fire wells. The lights and power remained off in Sag Harbor until Tuesday.

In Sag Harbor as in other villages, hundreds of large trees went down, blocking the highways and tying up traffic. All telephone service was suspended for hours as a result of the wires lying on the ground.

The High School at Sag Harbor suffered many blown-out windows. The pupils were kept in school until the hurricane had passed, receiving their supper in the school house.

The Oakland Cemetery on the south side of the village lost the greater percentage of the trees within its boundaries.

In the business section of the village many stores had their show windows blown in and the stores flooded.

The waterfront damage was slight compared to other places. Two small yachts going ashore in the harbor, one against the breakwater, the other against the main dock.

All through the Sag Harbor section lightly constructed barns and buildings blew down or collapsed. Fortunately no loss of life is reported from Sag Harbor.

The Presbyterian Church steeple blew down, eliminating a famous landmark. The steeple of the Methodist church also blew down, great damage being done to the church building. Many homes were flooded on the west side of the village on the flood tide.

Miss Gertrude Rackett's summer cottage had its roof torn off at the height of the storm, then the front was ripped off, leaving it standing just like a child's dollhouse, with the rooms and their contents exposed to the street. Miss Rackett was alone in the house, and somehow made her way to shelter at Mr. and Mrs. I. Y. Halsey's. She has now gone to Mr. and Mrs. James Grimshaw's for the winter.

Damage in Sag Harbor



The steeple on the Sag Harbor Presbyterian Church toppled when the hurricane's fury struck.

HURRICANE CAUSES FREAK DAMAGE IN EAST HAMPTON

When the sun rose on stricken East Hampton on Thursday morning, September 22, and the inhabitants slowly emerged, some freaks of the storm were seen and heard. Miss Gertrude Rackett's summer cottage on Main Street, unroofed by the storm, also had its front wall stripped off, exposing it to the passer-by just like a child's dollhouse. Miss Rackett miraculously escaped injury and made her way to the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. Y. Halsey. Mrs. Chester Browne drove into her garage, then looked from the house window and saw the garage sail into the top of a butternut tree. The cook at Juan Trippe's dune house found bluefish in her kitchen the next day; and at Forrest Hulse's and Roy King's, "down Egypt," turtles were found in the rich mud on their floors, after the tidal wave had receded. Mrs. Hulse escaped drowning by standing on a table. On Friday morning a small boat, used to rescue people on Egypt Lane, was still tied to a hydrant.

"Private"



This private roadway on Napeague Beach was made more "private" than ever when the beach was flooded.

Roof Torn from Home of Mrs. Julia Barnes



Presbyterian Church, Amagansett, Badly Hit by Hurricane



Carmen Messmore's New Sedan Demolished by Huge Tree



Repair Work Starts



Hammers and saws were soon playing a merry tune after the hurricane. A carpenter is shown starting repair work, early Friday morning, on the Main Street residence of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Gardner.

HALIFAX-BOUND SHIP ASHORE OFF SAMMIS BEACH; ALL HANDS SAFE

The 110-foot schooner "Jean and Joyce" foundered off Hedges Bank, Sammis Beach, during the height of yesterday's hurricane. Hailing from Halifax and bound for her home port from New York with a cargo of coal, the ship came to grief when both her cables snapped soon after she attempted to anchor.

Capt. Louis W. Vatcher of Halifax, and his crew of six, managed to get safely ashore in an 18-foot dory. Using the dory for a shelter the men were in an exhausted condition and spent several hours in the lee of the dory before they were found and brought to East Hampton by firemen. They were given food and spent the night in the Masonic Temple.

In the crew were Harold Rose, mate; John Kendall, cook; Wilby Cluett, engineer; Gordon Paul and Cecil Kenslow, seamen; also on

board was Russel Gordon Read, 16, on his first deep sea voyage. All hailed from Halifax.

The schooner is a total loss and is owned by Capt. Vatcher and J. F. Whitney of Halifax. Captain Vatcher said that yesterday's hurricane was the worst blow in his thirty years' experience at sea. He had been through two Southern hurricanes, but they were mild in comparison.

FISHING VILLAGE DESTROYED

Montauk suffered very heavy damage with the fishing village wiped out and over two hundred homeless. Last night a trainload of destitute from Montauk headed towards East Hampton, but a wash-out at Napeague forced the train to return to Montauk, where the manor was opened. Over 150 are quartered there.

Town and Village Depts. Clear Wreckage Quickly

Wonderful work is being done by the Town Highway Department under William H. Greene and the Village Highway Department under the supervision of Edward M. Baker.

Both departments are successfully coping with the removal of tons of fallen trees and other debris. The departments co-operating with each other, had the main highways open soon after the storm.

Without any request from either Town or Village, the WPA sent in over 200 out-of-town workers on Monday, causing some criticism here, for which local authorities were not in the least responsible. The sentiment was that some of the work could be stretched out over a longer period of time, thereby providing work for local men.

Captain and Crew of Wrecked Nova Scotia Schooner



A crew of six men with Capt. Louis W. Vatcher, of Halifax, from the 110-foot schooner "Jean and Joyce," which foundered off Sammis Beach on the afternoon of September 21. They were brought to East Hampton and cared for here.

Down but Not Out!



JOE PETERSON

The Spirit Of Joe Peterson

We enjoyed talking with Joe Peterson at Montauk a day or two after the hurricane for his attitude towards fires, hurricanes and life in general was so vigorous and persevering that we would like our readers to know about "The Spirit of Joe Peterson."

Several weeks ago Joe had his restaurant and small hotel at Montauk badly damaged by fire and Joe himself was so badly burned that he was taken to the hospital. Did this phase Joe? Not one bit. He shook his fist at the ruins and remarked lustily that he'd be back.

The nthe hurricane, which forced Joe to swim to safety. Did Joe give up? Not a bit. He's an old sailor-man, Joe will tell you, and it takes more than a little fire and a little wind and water to put him out of the running.

"I'll come back," says Joe, and elsewhere in The Star today we publish Joe's picture as he shakes his fist at Old Man Hurricane.

We admire his spirit and wish him lots of luck.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Soper of Brentwood, L. I., were in town on Thursday to inquire after friends and relatives here.

Strange Damage



Duryea's building at Montauk was hard hit, as shown by the above strange wreckage wrought by the hurricane.

Bathing Beach Here Wrecked



Although presenting a sad appearance, the Bathing Pavilion underpinning is still solid and the Village Board plans to repair the Bathing Pavilion for next summer.

NAVAL RESERVES ESTABLISH SHORT WAVE SERVICE

One of the outstanding emergency units on duty in Westhampton and Montauk was the Riverhead Unit of the Naval Communications Reserve, which established short wave communications at Westhampton Beach, and later at Montauk. Both villages were cut off from the outside world and the radio communication service established was a vital link.

These volunteer workers were from Unit 4, Section 6, 3rd Naval District, with headquarters in the Riverhead post office building. They used an emergency transmitter independent of power mains. The unit used at Montauk was only 7½ watts and they handled both incoming and outgoing messages as relayed by Western Union, operating as a complete mobile station. At Montauk they were on the air at 9:55 A. M. on Saturday, September 24. They received only messages of an urgent nature from the State Police, Coast Guard, Suffolk County officials and the Long Island Railroad. They sent messages for the Western Union, the railroad and residents of Montauk.

Chief Radio Man Maurice Carter was in charge of the station, which he built two years ago.

The old mill at Water Mill, restored at considerable cost as a priceless relic of Colonial days, a few years ago, is practically a wreck from the storm. East Hampton's three old mills, also that on the Lathrop Brown place at Montauk, are in good shape, only some arms being damaged.

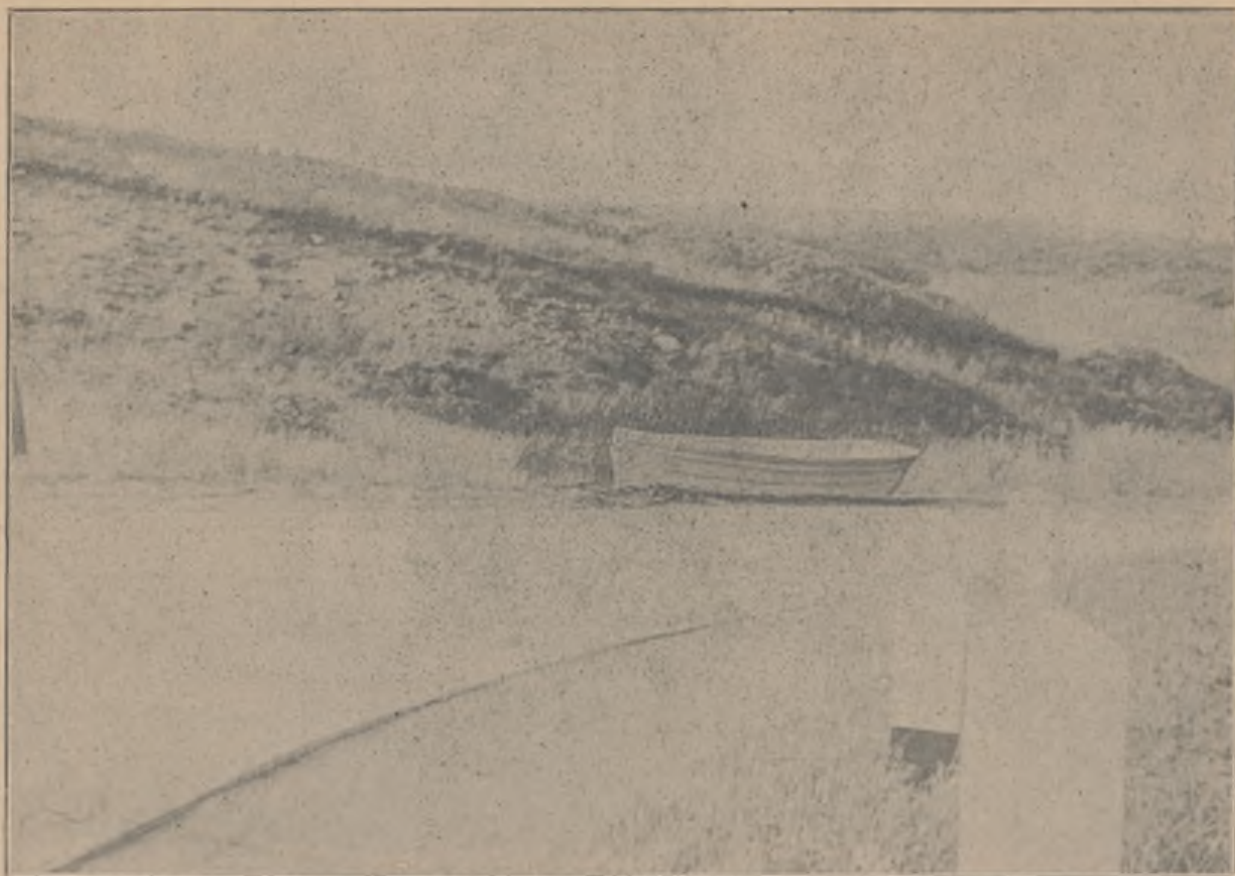
Mrs. Ella Barbour was down from New York last week-end to look over what remained of her Beach Hampton Club. Dishes were dug intact out of the sand, but very little remained to be saved out of the heap of splintered wood. The Star is informed on reliable authority that the club, built last spring at a cost of more than \$75,000, carried no insurance whatever. Mrs. Barbour took her loss bravely. It was fortunate that she had closed up, and that no lives were lost.

Short Wave Radio at Montauk



In the above photo are Chief Radio Man Maurice Carter, Chief Radio Man Kennell, Second Class Radio Man Marshall A. Etter, and Herbert Snell, Third Class Radio Men William A. Horne and Gideon Stivers, and Yeoman Ernest Dounes.

Washed Up from the Montauk Fishing Village



This dory was a strange sight on the concrete highway opposite the Montauk station.

Wreckage and Flooded Roads at Montauk



Tree Work After Hurricane



Beached on the East Side of Lake Montauk

